

DEFENDANT AND JUDGE ABSENT ON TRIAL DAY

Linn, Mo., April 7.—An Assistant Attorney-General and witnesses for the State against State Senator Tillman W. Anderson of Commerce, arrived here this morning for the trial of Anderson for alleged theft of an adding machine from the State Capitol, but found neither the defendant nor the Circuit Judge present.

Judge Breuer returned from Westphalia about noon and formally ordered a continuance of the case until June 9, the first day of the June term of court. The continuance was ordered over opposition of the State.

There have been a number of delays in the case. This one is due to the illness of A. T. Dumm of Jefferson City, chief counsel for Anderson. The charge resulted from an investigation of the disappearance of an adding machine, seven typewriters, lamps and other property from committee and other legislative rooms, following the 1923 session of the Legislature.

Judge Breuer was here before the arrival of Assistant Attorney-General Henry Davis and the State witnesses, for an adjourned session of the February term of Osage County Circuit Court, but the Judge went to Westphalia on personal business, leaving word he would be back this afternoon. No entry concerning the disposition of the Anderson case was found in the court minute book.

Four local attorneys for Senator Anderson, explaining his absence, said it was their understanding the case would be continued until the June term. It was announced last Friday that a continuance would be sought by the defense because of Attorney Dumm's illness, but the State refused to agree to this.

Judge Bruer, who presided at the robbery trial of "Jimmy" Hogan, St. Louis gangster, at Union last week, said then that he expected the Anderson case would be delayed by Dumm's illness, but that he was going to Linn to be prepared for it.

Men who had been summoned as prospective jurors for today were told later not to appear at this time.

The charge against Senator Anderson originally was filed in Cole County, but it was dismissed by the State. It was refiled in Gasconade County and a continuance was granted the defense because of Attorney Dumm's activity as a member of the Constitutional convention. Then a change of venue to Osage County was granted the defense. When the case was called at the opening of the February term here, it was continued by the Court because of a death in Judge Breuer's family.

A charge of larceny of two typewriters from the Capitol, against State Representative Allen D. Morrison and Nile Davidson, his clerk, of Sullivan County, was dismissed at Milan recently because the State failed to show that any stolen typewriters had been taken into Sullivan County, of which Milan is the seat.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. H. L. Saunders, field worker of the Presbyterian Church, has been temporarily assigned to the new work in Sikeston. He will preach Sunday at 3:00 p. m. at the Odd Fellows Hall on the subject: "Is Life Worth Living". He wants to meet all promoters of a Presbyterian Church and their friends. A most cordial welcome given the public.—Come.

The U. D. C. will meet Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Roy V. Ellise, with Miss Clippard as the leader.

Mrs. John Hitt returned Wednesday from Farmington, after spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. Bill Shain.

Mrs. L. O. Rodas and Miss Irma Wilson are in St. Louis. From there Mrs. Rodas will go to Springfield, Mo., to the Democratic State Convention of which she is a delegate.

Two good player-pianos in good trim, only slightly used, may be had on easy payments. Come in and see them. We are making a special of these players at one-half the price of a new one.—Lairs.

The first cotton planted in the Sikeston vicinity that we have heard of was four acres planted by one of Arnold Roth's tenants, Tuesday, on a piece of sandy land. If this stand gets frosted there will be ample time to replant and if it passes Arnold will have early picking.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET MONDAY NIGHT

The new Board of Aldermen held their first business session in the Council Chamber Monday night with the Mayor and all members present, as follows:

Mayor Felker, Aldermen J. W. Black, T. A. Wilson, J. T. Bruce, F. H. Smith, R. L. Calvin, A. J. Boardman, L. H. Sexton, Aulton Cravens.

Minutes of past month were read, corrected and approved. Reports of all officers accepted and ordered filed.

The usual bills for salaries, material and miscellaneous expenses were allowed.

The matter of a general spring clean-up was discussed and the Mayor was to take this up with the Chairman of Street and Alley Commissioner.

Fred Briggs was present and asked the Board to appoint a flue inspector, and also reported that a family was living in the bone yard and should be removed.

Mrs. Hinds was present and asked that he be allowed to operate a shooting gallery. Upon motion, the matter was left in the hands of the Mayor and Chief of Police.

A letter from Swank & Tanner, in regard to making new city plats, was read, and upon motion was referred to a committee to be appointed by the Mayor.

Upon motion the Board went into executive session.

Upon motion Wm. Cox was unanimously appointed to the position of Cemetery Sexton.

Upon motion J. W. Noblin was appointed to the position of night marshal.

Upon motion the matter of employing additional police was left to the Mayor and the Chief of Police.

Upon motion Lon Swanner was unanimously appointed to the position of Water Superintendent.

Upon motion L. W. Ables was unanimously appointed to the position of Street Commissioner.

Upon motion E. L. Swanner was unanimously appointed to the position of fire truck driver.

Upon motion L. M. Stallcup was appointed City Treasurer and the Sikeston Trust Co. the depository for the City funds.

Upon motion J. W. Black was unanimously elected Chairman of the Board.

Upon motion J. W. Black was appointed as a committee to investigate the matter of putting in the chlorine plant for purifying the City water.

Upon motion the Mayor was authorized to buy a typewriter for the City Clerk's office.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School.

11:00—Morning worship and preaching by the pastor.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. Meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Song service led by the choir. Sermon by the pastor.

Let us go to the House of the Lord together. I was a lad when they said unto me, "Let us go".

S. P. BRITE, Pastor.

The Lair Music Co. sold a fine Edison to E. R. Caldwell this week.

Mrs. Stewart is very ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. D. Baker on Trotter street.

Word was received here Wednesday that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shain, of Farmington, are the proud parents of a son, born on Saturday, April 5. Mrs. Shain was formerly, Miss Violet Hitt, of this city.

C. F. Bruton and wife, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. F. M. Sikes, Mrs. J. C. Lescher, Mrs. B. F. Blanton and Mrs. John Tanner met with committees from Ilmo and Oran at Benton Wednesday and went over the matter with the County Court of selling the present Infirmary or Poor Farm and applying the proceeds toward a modern home for our unfortunates. The Court agreed with the Committees that Scott County needed better accommodations but thought this was not a good time to dispose of the present farm to good advantage. The Committees promised their hearty co-operation when the time was right to make the change. The Sikeston Committee sent four rocking chairs to the home for the old folks and Ilmo has promised to send some. The poor house was visited and found to be in good condition and run in good shape.



Turning Our Thoughts to Easter WHAT SHALL WE WEAR?

One of the new Boyish-Tailored Suits—the triumph of the Season—shown in Sport and Mannish, woolen weaves.

Priced \$12.75, \$16.50, \$24.75

A Beautiful Dress

Wide selection of styles at

\$9.45 \$11.95 \$14.75

Assembled in these groups of dresses are the slender youthful models in Flannel and Silk Dresses. Splendid dresses to suit the conservative matron and dresses for the little miss.

Smart Coats for Easter Time

Exceptional quality, fashionable fabrics, models for every woman. Priced at

\$9.95 \$10.45 \$14.75

A Visit To Our Ready-to-Wear Department

Will be appreciated by us, and of great value to you.

There may be some disappointment along the line in the appointment of minor officials for the city, but it should be the duty of all law abiding citizens to back the judgment of the Board of Aldermen and lend every assistance to these officials to perform their duties to the best of their ability.

It is an impossibility to legislate folks to church. If they are in church they are in good company. We have no girls at home, hence put these thoughts on our boys. If they will not go to church we would much rather have them attend a good picture show on Sunday evening than have them hugging up some neighbor's girl on the roadside in the country. This may not be elegant nor uplifting, but it is just what is taking place on these auto drives unless we are misinformed. It is a problem what is best to do to save characters and souls these days.

Before the city election there was some talk, for political purposes, that if certain officials were put in, the picture show would open on Sundays. The election is over and we have heard no more of that sort of talk. Cairo, Cape Girardeau and New Madrid, surrounding cities, have Sunday picture shows and if Sikeston wants the Malone Theatre to open its doors on Sunday, Manager McIntosh will put on the best that can be secured that will be appropriate for Sunday. But if Sikeston does not want Sunday picture shows he does not intend to force them on her. If he does conclude to open his house on Sunday and a great flow goes up the demand will then be made that the officers close every business place in town, the garages, the oil stations, the cigar stands, the ice cream places, and like places, and that drug stores be forbidden to sell anything except medicine. If we are to have a closed town, let's have it, and if we are to permit one line of business to go on, let's have the picture show along with the rest.

549,415,000 BUSHELSS OF WHEAT FORECAST

Washington, April 9.—A winter wheat crop of 549,415,000 bushels this year was forecast today by the Department of Agriculture, assuming average abandonment of acreage and average influences to harvest. Last year's crop was 572,340,000 bushels.

The average condition of winter wheat on April 1 was 83 per cent of a normal compared with 75.2 on that date last year, and 82.5 the 10-year average. There was a decrease of 5 points in the condition between December 1 last year and April 1 this year, compared with an average decline of 4 points in the last 10 years.

A production of 59,135,000 bushels of rye was forecast compared with 63,023,000 last year. Rye condition was 83.5 per cent of a normal on April 1, compared with 81.8 on April 1 last year and ten-year average of 87.9.

The condition of winter wheat on April 1 was: Illinois, 73; Iowa, 89; Missouri, 77; Nebraska, 91; Kansas, 87; Texas, 91; Oklahoma, 87.

ALL the LATEST on records and sheet music.—Lairs.

Geo. Winters of New Madrid was a business visitors here Thursday.

Mrs. John Young, Mrs. Steve Humphreys, Mrs. Ogilvie and daughter, Miss Erma, attended the funeral of Frank Hequenburgh at Charleston, Tuesday.

If you are interested in a baseball club for Sikeston this season, you can help by getting your friends out to the Carnival next week as they are playing a benefit for the Club. No high priced players will be hired by Sikeston, but home timber will be used. It may be necessary to secure an outside catcher.

Mrs. T. A. Wilson and little son, Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Charles Blanton, Jr. and Parker Adams spent Tuesday afternoon at Cape Girardeau.

The ladies of the Methodist church will have their annual flower sale at the Albright Green House, April 22 and 23. Get your flower beds in shape for the event. Well kept lawns and flower beds add greatly to the appearance of the home.

It looks as though some of the Blantons are about to get to the top of the ladder. From Jesup, Ga., a telegram says Jim Blanton has been arrested at that place for engineering the stealing of \$200,000 worth of diamonds from the Provident Loan Association of Los Angeles. We are not acquainted with Jim, but he seems to have been enterprising.

The American Commission to devise way for Germany to pay her debts and get on her feet again have made their report and it points out the way for her to again become a world power and get on a sound financial basis. Experts have discovered that Germany is amply able to meet all her financial obligations if she will tax her people the same as other nations are taxed. They show, too, that Germany can feed her own people if she will. It looks like Germany is a poor looser and a moral coward.

The Standard now has on its presses the biggest job of printing ever handled in the Central West in a town of this size. It is the printing of 200,000 9x12 Juanita Baking Powder premiums in two colors and on both sides of the sheet. It takes 50 reams of 25x38 60-pound book weighing 3000 pounds to print the job. Mr. O. E. Latham will handle the Miller feeder during the day, while Milton Blanton will handle the job at night. The capacity of the press is 2200 per hour, so you see it means some work to handle this job. This leaves three other jobbers to take care of other work.

INTER-HIGH SCHOOL TRACK MEET HERE

Sikeston is to have the Third Annual Track and Field Meet Friday, April 18, at the Fair Grounds, beginning at 1:00 p. m. This promises to be the most interesting event held in Southeast Missouri for a long time. Teams from all over this section will enter in these events, which will be a warming-up meeting preceding the Field Day at Cape Girardeau. There will be eighteen events and nineteen medals and three cups competed for.

This annual affair of the Southeast Missouri High Schools draws many from a distance and every citizen of this vicinity who is interested in athletic events in the school should take the afternoon and witness these events.

The following events are on the program:

Shot put, 100 yd. dash, 50-yd. dash (girls), broad jump, shot put (girls), one-half mile dash, 220 dash, girls high jump, discus, 440 run, girls 100-yd. dash, boys high jump, pole vault, medley run, girls relay, Javelin throw, mile run, 440 relay.

REVOLT AGAINST SOVIET RULE REPORTED IN TURKESTAN

London, April 9.—Turkestan and the surrounding districts have revolted against Bolshevik rule, according to the Latvian Telegraph Agency, as quoted by the Daily Mail's Riga correspondent.

The revolting troops and populace are reported to have captured parts of the province of Ferghana and to be threatening the city of Khiva. The revolt is led by Czarist officers, the troops are mostly famatical Mohammedans and the rebellion is partly due to the anti-religious propaganda of the Bolsheviks, the agency dispatch declares. The Soviet is said to be rushing large forces to Turkestan.

The Mail correspondent quotes a member of the Soviet legation in Riga as saying that British influence from Persia was responsible for the revolt.

Mrs. A. T. Henry of New Madrid was in Sikeston shopping Tuesday.

Mrs. Fronie Nelson spent Wednesday evening in Charleston with home-folks.

Mrs. S. B. Hardwick visited her sister, Mrs. Charles Darby at Dexter during the week.

Used Kimball phonograph retails new at \$200.00. This one goes for \$125.000. A bargain.—Lairs.

Mrs. Shain left Thursday morning for Farmington to spend a few days with her son, Bill Shain and family. Miss Bernice Farmer, of Charleston, who is with the Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co., of that city, spent Wednesday in Sikeston.

Miss Mae Stucker, who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Stucker, will return to St. Louis the first of the week.

The local chapter O. E. S. has been invited to attend a public installation of the White Shrine at Cape Girardeau on Monday, April 14, 7:30 p. m. at the Masonic Hall.

The lifting of an elephant by a human being seems incredible, but the feat was accomplished in New York by Martha Farra, an Italian strong woman, who lifted, with apparent ease, a two-ton elephant.

Uncle Joe Randol was in Cairo Tuesday to consult with specialists about a throat trouble that he has been suffering with. He was told that it would be necessary to go to St. Louis for treatment as the affection was something like a tumor. The Standard trusts that nothing serious will develop.

A letter from Mrs. W. T. Shanks to The Standard family, states that Mr. Shanks is steadily improving and that she and her sister, Miss Mildred Bowman are "aiming for the Peak" and really expect to accomplish it and receive a certificate from the Rocky Mountain Climbers Club, for having accomplished the feat.

James W. Robertson of Sikeston has announced as a candidate for Assessor of Scott County subject to the will of the Democratic primary in August. He was born and raised in Scott County, most of the time living at Blodgett. He lived one year in Benton and the past four years in Sikeston, where he has been with the Stubbs Motor Co. He is a splendid gentleman, thoroughly qualified for the position and if elected will make a good officer.

BILLS INTRODUCED FOR TRI-STATE BRIDGE

That Western Kentucky will benefit along with Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri in the construction of the proposed Tri-State Bridge at Cairo is evident to Congressman A. W. Barkley of Paducah, who introduced a bill in the National House of Representatives for a survey and estimate of the cost of the bridge. This is the third bill of a similar nature, the others having been introduced by Congressman E. E. Denison of Illinois and Congressman J. F. Fulbright of Missouri.

The bill will make possible an east and west highway from Louisville and points beyond through Paducah and Cairo to Poplar Bluff and points beyond.

Congressman Barkley's bill reads: "A bill providing for a survey and examination of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers for the purpose of determining the feasibility and estimating the cost of constructing a highway bridge across said rivers at Cairo, Illinois, connecting the States of Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That for the purpose of determining a tri-state bridge over the Ohio and Mississippi rivers at or near Cairo, Illinois, as a part of existing or projected interstate highway systems connecting the States of Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri, the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to cause a survey and examination to be made of said rivers at or near the above-named place; and he is authorized and directed, as soon as practicable after the passage of this Act, to submit his report, with estimates and recommendations for said bridge, which report shall also include an estimate of the length of spans and their elevation above low-water mark required in such bridge so as to present unreasonable interference with navigation.

"The necessary expenses for making the survey and examination herein provided for shall be paid from funds available for examination and surveys of rivers and harbors.

"Sec. 2. The Secretary of War is authorized and directed to invite the co-operation of the Secretary of Agriculture, through the Bureau of Public Roads, in the making of this survey and examination; and he is also authorized and directed to advise the Governors of the States of Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri of the objects of this Act and his plan of procedure thereunder, and to invite and make use of such co-operation from such states as they, at their own expense, shall provide through their respective State Highway Departments.—Cairo Citizen.

Every seventh woman in Germany is doomed to be an old maid, while in Austria and Hungary every fifth woman is doomed to single blessedness.

Miss Florence M. Poley of Cleveland, first woman to be elected a member of the American Association of Engineers, is a civil engineer for the Nickel Plate Railroad.

The Ben Hur Lodge held their regular meeting at the I. O. O. F. Hall, Wednesday evening. State Manager A. S. Bradshaw, of Little Rock, Ark., was present at this meeting. One new candidate was taken in.

The School Board, the teachers and the pupils wish to thank those of our people who gave trees, shrubs, etc., that were placed on the grounds of the grade school on Arbor day. The Standard trusts the children at the school will give these shrubs every care in order to beautify the barren grounds.

For the last two years the Sikeston School has used the muscular movement system of writing. The teachers and pupils are trying to correct the condition which led to the criticism that "our young people cannot write". The pupils of our school have received the following awards: the Improvement Certificate, which is the third available, Lela and Vivian Hargrave; the second award the Progress Pin, Geraldine Maloney and Grace Decker; the first award, Era Belle Jones, James Marshall, Deciree Bridges, Walter Weekley, Ross Killgore, Ozella Gossett, Hildreth Dill, Hazel Lumsden, Lola Lydy, Ronald Lee, Jack Baker, Lola Taylor, Kenneth Dyke, Elmer Ogilvie, Harold Ward, Ruby Hitt, Louella Miller, Edith Carter, Mildred Arbaugh and Mildred Carter.

J. B. Randol spent Tuesday in Cairo.

Buy an instrument at Lairs and pay for it by the week.

Geo. Dempster spent Tuesday at Cairo, on business.

Jack Lair of Charleston is now located with the Lair Company in this city.

LOST—Female Pointer, white with liver spots. Finder call 159 and receive reward.

Used Victrola console taken as part pay on Edison recently, may be had at very low cost on easy terms. See us.—Lairs.

G. W. Layton of Vanduser was a business visitor here, Tuesday.

Garden Seed at Farmers Supply Hardware. A Big Package 5c.

Mrs. A. B. Hunter of New Madrid spent Wednesday here, shopping.

S. B. Hardwick returned Wednesday night from a business trip to Dallas, Texas.

Lige Inman was the purchaser of an Edison console from the Lair Music Co., this week.

Needle-type phonograph in good playing order, mahogany case, has been completely overhauled. Only \$65.00.—Lairs.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Last Friday night, at the High School auditorium, the pleasing operetta, "The Wedding of the Daisy and the Buttercup", was presented by the pupils of the first, second and third grades, to a very large and appreciative audience. Misses Gladys Loud and Esther Knott and Mrs. J. M. Massengill, the teacher of these grades, directed the operetta. Miss Loud accompanied at the piano. The following is the program of the operetta:

Scene: A meadow, with wild flowers.

Time: Early morning to full day.

Argument.

Desiring that the wedding of their favorites, Daisy and Buttercup, should be celebrated amidst the prettiest possible surroundings, the Breezes send forth, on the morning of the wedding, a tender message to all other Flowers, asking them to be present at the ceremony, and thus make the scene one of special loveliness.

Their invocation is overheard by the Butterflies, Bees, Birds, who, each in his turn, express love for the Daisy her Bridegroom, and their wish to be allowed to join the assembly. This being proudly and gladly granted, the result is that the wedding takes place under circumstances the beauties and delights of which have never been surpassed in the annals of Flowerland.

Overture.

Chorus—"Awake, Awake".

Song—"Red Admiral". Edna Shainberg.

Recitative—"Stirring Breeze and Red Admiral". Marjorie Jones, Esther Shainberg.

Song—"Bumble Bee"—Dick Walters.

Choral Valse

Dance of the Breezes

Song—"Redpole". Leland Moreland.

Air—"Stirring Breeze and Redpole". Marjorie Jones.

Recitation—"Stirring Breeze". Marjorie Jones.

Choral March

Floral Wedding March

Air—"Hare Bell"—Beulah Jones.

Chorus.

Chorus with solo—"Wild Rose". Lennie Smimons.

Song and chorus—"Lilly". Lehman Finch.

Duet—"Daisy and Buttercup". Elizabeth Richards and Eugene Rouh.

Final chorus and dance.

Elaborate crepe paper costumes, appropriate to each character, added much to the acclaimed success of the performance. The young folks performed remarkably well, and this was the initial appearance before the footlights for a large number.

Allen County, O., has three women Constables.

FOR SALE—Majestic range, Moore's air-tight heater, and kitchen cabinet. Practically new. See Fred Schorle at Schorle's Bakery.

The W. C. T. U. met Wednesday in the ladies parlor of the Methodist Church and studied the constitution of the United States.

Mrs. V. M. Law and babe, who are visiting her mother, Mrs. John Fox, spent Tuesday at Bertrand with her grandparents, Mr. and Ms. David Lewis.

Gordon Blanton wishes to notify his customers that he will have a substitute with his Saturday Evening Posts, while he is laid out with the measles.

Mrs. R. A. Moll and children, of Tamms, Ill., who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, returned to their home, Thursday afternoon.

Used Edison—official laboratory model—sells at \$295.00 new. This instrument is as good as the day it left the factory. We guarantee it in every way. Price now \$190.00.—Lairs.

During the week Dennis the Druggist has sold the following persons Victrolas with quantities of records: D. C. Harris, Irene Wheeler, V. Parker, Della and Ella Harper, all of Sikeston.

The two-story residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, on Kingshighway, 12 miles south of town, was destroyed by fire Tuesday evening. Practically all household goods were saved. Their year's supply of meat in the basement was destroyed.

More than one-third of the men formerly employed as county agricultural agents in New York are now successful farmers, according to a recent survey made in that State, the results of which have been reported to the United States Department of Agriculture.

No. 206

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the Sikeston Trust Company at Sikeston, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 31st day of March, 1924.

Resources	
Loans undoubtedly good on collateral security	\$198,291.06
Loans undoubtedly good on real estate security	500.00
Other negotiable and non-negotiable paper and investment securities at present value	000.00
Overdrafts by solvent customers	000.00
Bonds at present value	000.00
Stocks at present value	000.00
Real estate (Company's office building) at present value	000.00
Other real estate at its present value	5,000.00
Furniture and fixtures (including safety deposit vaults)	2,035.00
Due from other trust companies and banks, good on sight draft	73,158.70
Checks and other cash items	981.83
Cash on hand (currency, gold, silver and other coin)	9,978.81
Equity in Real Estate	32,507.03
Total	\$322,452.43
Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	4,104.52
Deposits subject to draft at sight by trust companies, bank and bankers	2,916.88
Deposits subject to draft at sight by individuals and others, including demand certificates of deposit	207,297.28
Time certificates of deposit	31,229.43
Demand certificates of deposit and Treasurer's check	2,120.32
Savings deposits	14,784.00
Bills payable and rediscounts	000.00
All other liabilities	000.00
Total	\$322,452.43

State of Missouri, County of Scott, SS.

We, G. B. Greer, president and L. M. Stallcup, secretary of the Sikeston Trust Company do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. B. GREER, President.

L. M. STALLCUP, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-four. Witness my hand and notarial seal the date last aforesaid.

(SEAL) said. (Commission and qualified for a term expiring September 13, 1927.)

Geo. W. PEARMAN, Notary Public.

W. L. CALVIN.

JAS. M. KLEIN.

S. W. APPLEGATE.

Directors.

No. 1670

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the Peoples Bank of Sikeston, at Sikeston, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 31st day of March, 1924, published in The Sikeston Standard, a newspaper, printed and published at Sikeston, State of Missouri, on the 11th day of April, 1924.

Resources	
Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral	\$217,228.11
Loans, real estate	35,180.76
Overdrafts	49.91
Bonds	000.00
Stocks	000.00
Real estate (banking house)	19,093.93
Other real estate	7,687.72
Furniture and fixtures	635.75
Due from other banks and bankers subject to check	33,225.88
Cash items	540.94
Cash on hand (currency, gold, silver and other coin)	8,589.24
Total	\$322,232.24
Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	40,000.00
Undivided profits, net	3,544.76
Due to banks and bankers subject to check	000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	167,560.26
Time certificates of deposit	25,494.94
Demand certificates of deposit and cashier's checks	000.00
Savings deposits	5,433.89
Bills payable and rediscounts	30,000.00
Other liabilities (please itemize)	000.00
Reserve for Taxes	198.29
Total	\$322,232.24

State of Missouri, County of Scott, SS.

We, F. M. Sikes, as president, and R. F. Anderson, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

F. M. SIKES, President.

R. F. ANDERSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of April, A. D. nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned and qualified for a term expiring June 8, 1924.)

A. A. HARRISON, Notary Public.

Correct-Attest:

WM. S. SMITH.

A. C. SIKES.

C. S. TANNER.

Directors.

Forget Politics While You Read This

Every woman who loves her children and her country will find much to interest her in a pamphlet being distributed by the National Democratic Committee at Washington. It is called, "The Lands Ye Possess", and is intended to create a widespread interest in the administration of the public domain, the common possession of all the people. Stripped of its partisan bias—it is a pity that all political ink has so much mud in it—the pamphlet is a valuable one for any voter, no matter what her, or his, party preferences may be. It tells the story of the wasting of our national resources, the robbing of future generations for the sake of the piling up of monumental fortunes in the hands of a few in this generation and the one just past. As these things are reviewed the reader's amazement is swallowed up in anger, and anger turns to shame as the impotence of the individual is realized. And if there is such a thing as righteous indignation, that must be what one feels when turning from the recital of these facts concerning our national improvidence to the oil scandal in Washington. Because we feel that this kind of indignation is good for every one occasionally—and at the risk of bankrupting the Democratic National Committee—we suggest that every woman who has a right to go to the ballotbox in November should send for a copy of the pamphlet.

But before you get your copy, here are some things that it suggests for women to do if they "want to see what remains of the public domain conserved for the use of homebuilders in this and other generations".

Good Housekeeping, mindful of the ease with which money seems to have changed hands at Washington, hopes that every one of its readers will:

1. Insist by voice and vote that the natural resources of our country shall from now on be disposed of for the common good of all and not for the private gains of a few.
2. Emphasize the fact that the livelihood of the man of small means is at least equal in importance to the profit of the man of big means.
3. Oppose everywhere and at all times the useless waste of our resources at the cost of our children's future.
4. Remember that in the year 2000 (only two or three generations away) this country may be called on to support a population of 250,000,000; that as population goes up, resources go down; and that if active and immediate steps toward conservation are not taken our children and our grandchildren will inevitably be reduced to lower standards of living.
5. Call public attention to the urgency of time in any precautionary measures taken, and to the fact that in some cases it is almost too late to undo the evil that has been done.
6. Exact, as far as possible, equality of opportunity for all in the benefits derived from our public wealth, and denounce monopoly and special privilege, which have already lapped the cream of the country's wealth, leaving at the best comparatively skimmed milk for the rest of us.
7. Hold every public officer responsible for any part of the conservation of national resources of the

country as a trustee of the public property. And—

8. Oppose the election or appointment to such office of any one who fails to give full assurance to the people that he regards his office as an opportunity to serve the public, not himself.

HOLY WEEK

Rector of St. Francis Xavier, Sikeston, Mo.

PALM SUNDAY

Blessing and distribution of Palms, commemorating the reception accorded the Divine Redeemer upon His entrance into the Holy City.

WEDNESDAY

Confessions will be heard in the afternoon and evening.

HOLY THURSDAY

On this day we celebrate the Institution of the Blessed Eucharist. Communion may be received at 6:30. Mass will be celebrated at 7:30, followed by a procession.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day until eight p. m. Every one is expected to spend at least an hour before the Blessed Sacrament in atonement for the sins of the world and in gratitude for the blessings they have received during the year.

GOOD FRIDAY

Services will commence at 7:00 a. m., followed by Mass of the Presanctified.

Tre Ore, or The Three Hours services commemorating the Three Hours spent by Our Divine Redeemer dying on the Cross for the sins of the world, be conducted by Rev. F. H. Skaer of St. Louis. In the evening at 7:30, he will also deliver the sermon on the Passion of Our Divine Lord.

Every Catholic is urged to absent himself from worldly affairs during the period of the Three Hours, if possible, and attend the service at church.

HOLY SATURDAY

Services will commence at 7 a. m. and will consist of various blessings, including that of the Baptismal and Easter Water, the new fire and the Paschal Candle. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00.

In the afternoon at 3:30 and again after 7:00 confessions will be heard.

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses will be celebrated at 7:30 and 9:30. The second, will be a High Mass. This is a General Communion Day for the parish.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10.

MARKET REPORT

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July	103 1/2	78 1/2	43 1/2
September	104 1/2	78 1/2	40 1/2
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4 mixed corn	74
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3 yellow corn	77 1/2-78
3 white corn	76
4 white corn	76
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Mrs. Tackett of Oran was the guest of Misses Marie and Blanche Swan-agon, Tuesday.

The girls' cooking contest will be held at the high school Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock. Prizes will be awarded to the girls for the best cake, biscuits, and corn bread.

The annual Easter bazaar of the Christian Church will be held on April 19th. Anyone wishing Easter eggs phone 387.

Mrs. Mae Hawkins, who was taken to the St. Mary's Infirmary, at Cairo for an operation last Wednesday, is getting along nicely.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch and Prof. Woodward were Cape Girardeau visitors last Saturday.

Sunday School Convention will be held at Lilbourn Monday and Tuesday, April 14 and 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse M. Miles spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

Mesdames Jas. A. Finch, Fannie Fine and A. M. Shaw, Jr., were Sikeston visitors, Monday.

Miss Edith Pharris of Lilbourn was the guest of Miss Eloise Mathewson Monday evening.

Rev. Yeager and family of St. Joseph arrived in our city Friday and are at present at the Sample Hotel. Rev. Yeager will supply the pulpit of the M. E. Church, recently vacated by Rev. W. A. Humphreys.

Rev. Geo. L. Washburn, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, left Tuesday for Charleston to attend a meeting of the Potosi Presbytery, which convened in that city Tuesday.

The Presbyterian Ladies Auxillary held a business meeting at the church last Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of selecting a delegate to the Presbyterial at Malden Tuesday, April 22. Mrs. R. L. Simmons will represent the Auxillary and Mrs. H. G. Sharp will accompany her.

A State vase vs. Wm. Marr (Big Irish), charge of grand larceny, a change of venue from New Madrid county to Pemiscot County, was tried at Caruthersville last week, resulting in a disagreed jury.

Mrs. A. F. Stanley and Mrs. Taylor of Morehouse were in New Madrid Monday in the interest of a play to be given Thursday night at the Dixie Theatre, "An Old-Fashioned Mother".

The Women's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church held their bi-monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. M. Shaw, Jr., last Thursday afternoon on North Main. A very interesting program of readings by the following were greatly enjoyed: Readings by Mesdames W. T. Royer, H. H. Lipe and A. T. Henry. A short conversational dialogue by Mrs. J. O. Riley and Miss Florence Finch. Two readings by Masters Lehmann Finch and Sam Lewis Fine. Dainty refreshments of brick ice cream, cake and coffee were served.

The preliminary hearing of Bill Meattie, who shot and killed Olin Penninger on Little River, near Marston last Friday, was held at the Court House, Saturday, before Justice of the Peace, R. L. Terry. Two of the State's witnesses were examined and the evidence being such that the defendant was bound over to Circuit Court, May Term, on bond of \$20,000, which he was able to give. The killing was the result of disturbance over the missing of five gallons of white mule. Attorneys for the State were J. M. Massengill and Tom Gallivan of this city and Sloan Oliver of Caruthersville was the Attorney for the defendant.

Mrs. W. H. Hampton and son, S. W. Hampton and daughter, Miss Jennie, were guests of Chas. Hampton and family last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Elsie Smart was a guest of Miss Hyacinth Sheppard of Sikeston last Saturday and Sunday.

A clinic for eyes, tonsils and adenoids will be held by the New Madrid County Health Department in co-operation with the New Madrid County Medical Society on April 22, 23, 24 and 25 in New Madrid.

On April 24 and 25 a specialist from Aloe's Optical Company will fit glasses.

On April 23 and 24 Doctor Sory, trachoma specialist from United States Public Health Hospital at Rolla, will examine eyes and operate when necessary.

On April 25, Dr. W. E. Yount, of Cape Girardeau, will remove tonsils and adenoids.

Anyone desiring treatment at any of these clinics is asked to consult his or her family physician or the New Madrid County Health Dept.

The Shriner's Hospital in St. Louis has notified the New Madrid County Health Department to register all crippled children who can be improved by operation or treatment. We ask all children who wish to take advantage of this opportunity, to report to Dr. O'Bannon, New Madrid County Health Unit, for classification and registration, and they will be notified and admitted to this hospital in their turn.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Kauffman of Parma visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Manheimer last Sunday.

The following were guests at the M. Frankle home last Sunday: Mrs. R. Brenner and little daughter, of Clarksville, Tenn.; Mrs. H. Wolfson and little daughter Jeannette of Puxico, Mrs. Max Friedman of Clarkdale, Miss., daughters of M. Frankle; J. M. Folkoff and family of East Prairie, Mr. Barkovitz and fam-

ily of Portageville and Mrs. I. Kohn of Hayti.

D. J. Keller of Cape Girardeau was in New Madrid Monday on business.

O. E. McGee, State School Inspector, one of the Superintendent's office Jefferson City, is in New Madrid County this week and will visit the most of the rural schools.

H. E. Tomlinson and Harry Kirkbride of Malden attended Board of Equalization in New Madrid Monday.

J. R. Grabenhorst and Walter Moore of Canolou attended Board of Equalization in our city, Monday.

Mrs. P. J. Stearns and children of Lilbourn spent Monday in New Madrid.

E. Dunlap, Chas. P. Fisher and T. E. Page of Clarkton attended Board of Equalization in New Madrid, Monday.

M. I. Schmucke, Sam Harris and M. V. Mumma of Gideon attended Board of Equalization in New Madrid Monday.

Dud Baker and several other Revenue men of St. Louis visited the white mule districts of New Madrid last Thursday and disposed of liquor at the following places: Dolph Smith, Hattie Ward, Jesse Phelan and Bill Masterson, who are placed under \$1,000 bond for their appearance at Federal Court at Cape Girardeau this month.

J. H. Holtermann of Lilbourn was looking after business matters in New Madrid Monday.

Mrs. Mary Hamilton has accepted a position in the mercantile store of L. Shainberg, in this city.

Attorney E. F. Sharp and C. M. Barnes of Marston attended County Court in New Madrid last Monday.

Mrs. R. Breuer of Clarksville, Tenn., Mrs. Max Friedman of Clarkdale, Miss., and Mrs. H. Wolfson of Puxico, who have been visiting their father and brothers, M. Frankle and sons of this city, left for their respective homes, Tuesday.

Miss Linda Stewart returned home Saturday, after a two weeks' stay with her sister, Mrs. T. A. Lee and family at Portageville.

T. A. Lee of Portageville was a business visitor at New Madrid, Monday.

VATICAN DENIES POPE WILL LEAVE DOMAIN

Rome, April 7.—The Vatican today officially denied that the Pope intended to go outside of the Vatican limits. There are positive indications that the Pontiff will be present at the dedication of the Knights of Columbus' welfare building on Wednesday, but it is alleged that this building is on Vatican property and can be reached through the right wing of St. Peter's by passing through the sacristy.

While the Knights of Columbus Building is owned by the Vatican it is not considered technically inside the territory assigned to the Vatican, and if the Pope attends the dedication ceremonies, it will certainly mark the farthest step any Pope has taken since 1870 beyond the narrow limits of St. Peter's. One Pope has proceeded as far as the Church of Santa Marta, which is the extreme limit reached.

In attending the Knights of Columbus dedication the Pope will have to traverse the basilica, enter the sacristy and then proceed through the Church of Santa Marta, to the welfare building, all of these edifices being contiguous. A special entrance has been cut through, so that the Pontiff can pass into various buildings without setting foot on other than Vatican property.

It is the Vatican's contention that Pope Pius would not go beyond the limits of his present temporal domain, and it was clearly indicated today that any interpretation which would signify the Pontiff's departure from the limits set by the law of guarantees would be unequivocally denied.

Cardinals Hayes and Mundelein today were tendered a reception at St. Joseph's College. Both the American prelates expressed themselves as highly pleased with the function.

Moving picture showing charity work in the New York diocese were shown.

ROAD FINANCE REFERENDUM PUT UP TO BARRETT

St. Louis, April 8.—Final determination by the State Highway Commission of recommendations it will make regarding proposed initiative measures to speed up the road-building program awaits an opinion by Attorney-General Barrett on questions recently submitted to him, members of the commission said at a regular meeting here yesterday.

Three methods of increasing road revenues have been suggested, as has been told. They provide for a 50 per cent increase in automobile license fees, a 2-cent-a-gallon tax on gasoline and sale of the balance of the \$60,000,000 road bond issue at the rate of \$15,000,000 a year. Thus far, \$15,000,000, in bonds have been issued.

The Attorney-General has been asked whether the methods suggested may all be submitted by a single initiative proposal, whether the bond issue increase must be separated from the increased auto fees and gasoline tax, or whether three separate initiative proposals would be required.

Work of circulating initiative petitions for signatures would be greatly increased if three proposals are held to be necessary.

It will be recalled Gov. Hyde recently said he favored submission of the gasoline tax and bond increase proposals at the November election, but recommended dropping the license increase suggestion for the present and submitting it to the next Legislature, which convenes in January, 1925.

B. H. Piepmeier, chief engineer of the commission, said yesterday the Attorney-General had not indicated when the opinion would be rendered. There is little precedent upon which to base an opinion, Piepmeier said, thus necessitating extended search of authorities.

Highway commission experts have pointed out that with revenue in sight road maintenance can be kept up and sinking fund requirements for outstanding bonds met in 1925, but no roads can be constructed that year unless more funds are provided. The State is authorized to sell \$10,000,000 in road bonds this year, but none in 1925, under present law.

Additional revenue derived from the proposed gasoline tax and increase license fee not only would permit completion of the \$60,000,000 bond issue program by the end of 1927, it has been said, but would enable the department to complete the remainder of the State highway system without additional bond issues, within a few years after that date.

The State Highway system includes 7640 miles of road. The \$60,000,000 bond issue will cover construction of only a part of the system.

The Highway Commission yesterday approved road construction contracts aggregating \$953,999. The total is divided according to type of work as follows: Surfacing primary roads, \$239,808; grading and bridging secondary roads, \$231,499. Contracts call for surfacing of 9.89 miles of primary roads; and surfacing of 35.80 miles of secondary roads.

Primary roads to be surfaced are all in Nodaway County. Primary roads to be graded and bridged are in Howard County. Contracts provide for surfacing of small sections of secondary roads in Greene, Jefferson, Lincoln, Maries, Miller, Pulaski, Scott, Stoddard, Ste. Genevieve, Sullivan and Gentry counties. Grading and bridge work on secondary roads is authorized in McDonald, Montgomery, Pulaski, Saline, Worth and Wright counties.

POLA NEGRI IN "MONTMARTE" MALONE THEATRE PROGRAM

Pola Negri, in her latest Parisian romance, "Montmartre", is presented as the photoplay attraction at the Malone Theatre Wednesday. She was directed by Ernest Lubitsch, who has such pictures as "Passion", "The Marriage Circle" and "Rosita" to his credit.

The Montmartre district of Paris is recreated on a magnificent scale. Pola Negri has the role in this picture of Yvette, the dancing idol of Montmartre, a girl who spends her nights dancing gayly at the cafes. A young composer falls in love with her. His cousin meets her and desires her for himself. The composer is a virtuous, high-minded man, but dependent upon his mother's money for his music studies, which he hopes will make him famous. The cousin is a rouse, Pola falls for the composer, but the cousin tells her lover that she is a bad woman—a cafe grisette. The composers' mother forbids her son to have anything to do with Pola. Nevertheless, he marries her secretly. The remainder of the story is of intense dramatic value with a sprinkling of thrills and comedy.

P. H. Stevens, who is connected with the State Highway office, is on the sick list this week.

Floyd E. Jacobs, of Kansas City, former prosecuting attorney of Jackson County, filed in the office of the Secretary of State official declaration of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the governorship. Jacobs has been making an active campaign for several months and has visited more than two-thirds of the counties of the State. He announced his candidacy two months ago. He is the fourth gubernatorial candidate to file.

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TWO AMERICAN GIRLS AT OXFORD, ENGLAND

The following story was written by Miss Bennie Stone and Mrs. Kathleen Powell, nieces of the editor of The Standard, who are taking a course at Oxford University, England. Miss Stone is a teacher in the Wisconsin State Normal, while Mrs. Powell is the wife of Rev. Powell, a graduate of the Louisville Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.:

Oxford, England, March 22.—Any one who is at all skeptical regarding the great differences in English and American life would certainly be convinced after a little experience in English shops. The quaint outward appearance of these shops, with their projecting upper stories and their sharp gables, suggests at once that one is in a foreign land. The signs on the windows and over the doors have a foreign air, too. In every block one sees once or often "Hall's Ales and Stouts", or "Morrell's Ales and Stouts", or even "Finest Whiskies and Brandies". Truly these are not American. Now and then one sees the sign "Chemist"; at intervals, "Silversmith"; then perhaps "Draper", "Ironmonger", "Hairdresser". We haven't seen the word "barber" in England. One sign which occurs with surprising frequency is this: "Optician to the Eye-Hospital". It appears that all Oxford opticians have attained to this eminence. One more must be mentioned, one which when we first came had a fearful fascination for us: "Funerals furnished. Special rates for children". Then, too, the way Oxford merchants display their goods is different. Shop keepers either remove most of the front of their shops, making the places look like open booths, or carry a large part of their wares outside and arrange them on benches or on the walk. In front of any ironmonger's is always a motley array of dishes, kitchen utensils, coal scuttles, clothes baskets, spades and various kinds of brushes. After hunting all over town for a flour sifter last September, we finally found one accidentally among the collection of stuff on the walk in front of one of these stores. Along any business street one can see shelves and cabinets outside the stores for an interested person to examine at leisure; upholstered chairs and other pieces of furniture sitting out on the walk; great trays and tables loaded with fresh vegetables, fruits and nuts; and even boots and shoes hanging in long chains outside the doors and windows. The butcher shops, however, are the most amazing sights. They combine the booth idea and the outside decoration idea. Hanging from hooks at the top of the great opening in front are always several whole hogs; on a bench outside are huge blocks of fresh meat, interspersed here and there with ox tongues, dripping hearts, and pale smooth calves' heads. Whenever it is not possible for a merchant to display his goods in the above manner, dry goods and jewelry, for example, he does his best to crowd his entire stock in to his windows for the passer-by to inspect. The result can be imagined. The idea here seems to be that customers will not come in unless they

have already seen that the shop contains what they want. I have never seen anything in the United States approaching the appearance of Cowley Road and the high, except in the foreign quarters of some of our great cities. Here it looks as if a perpetual street fair were in progress.

It is equally surprising to go along these streets on Sunday. Then not only are the shops closed, but the fronts are barred and shuttered until nothing is left visible to tempt the thoughts of the passer-by to worldly things. Many of them are encased behind heavy wooden shutters which roll down from above like the top of a business man's desk. Others are protected by high heavy iron grating, through which one can see the dark blinds which have been drawn severely over the windows. In Oxford Sunday closing is a stern reality; it is difficult for a stranger to find open even a place where he can get a meal.

The actual difficulties which confront the American who goes marketing or shopping in England are not inconsiderable. The first one, which I can only mention, is the speech of the English tradesman. One feels helpless before the rapid-fire of what seems a foreign language. Add to this a large number of strange terms for familiar articles: biscuits for cookies and cakes, reel of cotton for spool of thread, goggles for any kind of rubbers, serviettes for napkins, quilt for bedspread, and an entirely new vocabulary for materials in a dry goods store. I quote below from a sheet of explanations enclosed in a Pictorial Review pattern:

Broadcloth, meaning habit-cloth; calico, meaning print; canton crepe, meaning crepe morocaine; muslin, meaning calico; child's apron, meaning pinafore; child's underwaist, meaning stays; housedress, meaning overall; suit, meaning costume; bast- ing meaning tacking; cut on bias, meaning cut on cross of material; luncheon sets, meaning table mats.

We have quite given up the idea of buying any ready-made clothes in Oxford, because only a stock size is kept, even in the best stores; and this is at least a 42 or 44. They say that large sizes can be cut down, but that nothing can be done with a small costume! They have dress-making establishments in connection with their ready-to-wear departments, and will copy anything for one; but the cut of the clothes one sees on the streets is not such as to inspire confidence in English tailoring.

Buying clothes, however, is no more of a problem than buying shoes. Shoes are made in only one width, corresponding to "C" as nearly as we can estimate. It is obvious what kind of a fit a person with a narrow foot gets. No amount of thought about the excellent leather and good workmanship quite reconciles one to such shoes.

One of the greatest difficulties which Oxford markets have for an American is that the food displays are in so many ways different from what one sees at home. Of course one can get potatoes, and there are always carrots, turnips, dried onions, beets and lettuce. There seems to be a surplus of things belonging to the cabbage family; in addition to ordinary cabbage, there are cauliflowers, brussels sprouts, savoy, and something which is a cross between turnip tops and cabbage. Marrow is a great favorite here, a sort of small watery squash. But many of the "canned" foods to which we are accustomed cannot be bought here at all: canned corn is almost unknown, (they think corn is eaten only by horses); canned green beans can't be got; and they tried to make us take oleomargarine when we once asked for peanut butter. Many of the fresh vegetables which the markets in our larger American towns carry all the year around, we have never seen here: radishes, young onions, green peppers, peas. One can always get tomatoes, but as they are home grown, they are very small.

Then the English butcher cuts his meat so differently from the American one that the American housewife in Oxford is completely bewildered. Nothing looks familiar but pork chops and liver. To our great surprise, we have found oysters scarce and very expensive—about 75 cents for a dozen small ones.

I don't mean to give the impression that English markets are inferior to ours; I only mean to say that their foods are sufficiently different from ours that until the American gets accustomed to them he is likely to feel greatly limited in his choice. One soon begins to appreciate the excellent assortment of fish, brought in fresh every day, and displayed most attractively, great white cuts of halibut and cod, beautiful light red cuts of salmon, flat white plaice, yellow herring and kipper and here and there a bright red lobster. Oxford poulterers, too, have unusual displays, rabbits, chickens, ducks, tur-

keys, geese and pheasants and part- ridges in abundance. Apparently wild game is very plentiful. There is far more to choose from here in fish and poultry than in our middle western towns. And such handsome cheese as one sees here, and such a quantity and variety of them! Certainly there is no lack of good food. Perhaps one ought at this point to refer to the whiskies, brandies, wines, etc., which are displayed so abundantly, and which form quite as essential a part of the Englishman's diet as beef and cheese.

The number of places one must visit in order to buy what he wants seems an inconvenience to the American. In any American city of 60,000 people (Oxford's size) are excellent stores where meat, milk, bread and all sorts of fresh vegetables and fruits can be bought, as well as flour, butter and other staples. But in Oxford only butchers sell meat; poultry and fish are handled by poulterers and fish mongers, respectively; one must buy milk from a dairyman; it is necessary to go to the baker's for bread and there are "green grocers" to supply fresh vegetables and fruit. This necessitates the expenditure of much time and energy on the part of the housewife, as you will realize fully when you consider that no one here has telephones (except hotels and a very few of the leading business houses.) The merchants send a man around three times a week to take orders, but even that does not take the place of a telephone. To be sure, there is an extensive public market in the heart of the town, where there are booths with every sort of commodity. Though this is an ancient institution here, as in all other English towns, and is extensively patronized, it is too far away for the average woman to do all her buying there. The department store idea has now penetrated into Oxford, though there are woollens shops, linen stores, costumers, umbrella shops, and bazaars for notions, still one can buy all these things and many more in the big store.

One of the hardest things for an American to accustom himself to is the utter lack of sanitation. Food is exposed with no regard for flies or dust. Screens and ice-chests are equally unknown. We have been told by reliable people that foods are displayed during the summer exactly as we have seen them since September. Loaves of bread are never wrapped in gilded paper as at home; and the bakery "lorries", though covered over at the top, are open at both ends, so that all the dirt flying about has free access. When one of these trucks stop before your house the driver reaches for his basket, dumps two or three loaves into it, comes to the door, and hands the maid what you want. Milk is distributed in primitive fashion. A big can in the middle of a funny little two-wheeled push cart holds the supply. Ever so often the milkman stops, takes a little cup hanging on the side of his cart, fills a pitcher, and goes from house to house supplying the jars and pans which he finds by his customers' side gates. But the way the meats are exposed is the worst. It is bad enough to have the cuts lying out where they become covered with dust and dirt and where any passing cat and dog may have and do often have) a sniff, or worse; but what can one think when she sees a butcher stop his work to reach down his dog's throat for a bone ("It might choke him, and he is worth fifty pounds to me, madam"), and then without even wiping his hands on his apron, go on cutting meat!

The hair dressing parlors for both men and women are for the most part positively unclean. Some, of course, are far better than others in this respect, but even the best do nothing to sterilize their combs and brushes. The same thing is true of the dentists; the one to whom we were recommended by our family physician merely wipes off his instruments with a dry cloth before putting them back in the case. There are up-to-date dentists (and usually these have studied in the United States), but they are the exception, if half we hear is true. In the swimming pool here, which does not have running water, the water is changed once a week, and no one is required to have a shower bath before going in.

On the whole our cost of living has averaged higher here than in our home land, even though exchange has favored us. Lard has varied from 22 cents a pound, butter averages 52 cents a pound, eggs went from 50 cents a dozen to \$1.00, and stayed at the higher price for three months. Flour comes only in one-pound and three-pound bags. That seems queer when one usually buys 48-lb. bags at home. The price is half as much again as in the United States. Meat is considerably higher here. Good bread costs 12 cents a loaf compared to 8 or 9 cents at home. Milk dipped out of big containers costs 14 cents a quart, while that bottled for babies is 17 cents. Sugar varies from 13 to

16 cents a pound, and is of the coarsest sort. It is all right for cooking, but seems as much out of place for the table as coarse salt would. Canned fruits are cheaper, but canned vegetables are higher than in the U. S. I think dried vegetables are used much more than canned ones. What a comfort Heinz products prove to the American housewife in England. One gladly pays the increased price. Nuts are the only cheap thing we've found. First class almonds average 12 cents a pound and unusually good English walnuts have not been higher than 20 cents. Pecans are unknown.

When we arrived in England we expected to be dazzled by the low price of woollens. We were soon disillusioned, however. Cold, damp days brought with them the need for woolen underwear. To our sorrow we had to pay for the best brands half as much again as would have been asked in the United States, and we secured for our money ill-fitting garments which will hardly last the season through. In contrast to the high price of underwear is the extremely low price of woolen stockings. Good ones can be bought for 75 cents. Fancy weaves, of course, come higher. For coats, suits and dresses (as well as materials, one pays about the same as in America. Our experience with tailors has been slight, being limited to a suit for 8-year-old Frank. It is made of good French serge, and cost \$24.00. I do not know what home tailor would charge for a suit. Certainly he would see that it fitted better.

Of course, no description of the shops in Oxford would be complete without some mention of the tea-rooms. These are designed for comfort, for tea-time always follows an afternoon of strenuous out-door exercise. There are deep-cushioned chairs against the walls, and easy chairs around the tea-tables. People sit about in these cozy places for an hour or so, drinking tea and smoking. From four to six every afternoon all tea-rooms are crowded.

A word must be said, also, about the beautiful flower and fruit stores and booths. This is a great country for flowers, and all the year the flower shops have been gay with bright blossoms. Even in the open-air market there have been cut flowers and potted plants all the time. The number of shoppers who carry a bunch of flowers in one hand is conspicuous. And they cost almost nothing. All through the season beautiful dark blue violets have been offered for two-pence a bunch.

But in years to come the memories I shall cherish of Oxford shops will have to do with the antique shops, picture shops and book shops. The number of these speaks volumes for the taste of the English people. At the antiquaries one finds rare china, real lace, gleaming brass, and period furniture. The picture shops contain lovely etchings and engravings of the places of beauty and interest in Oxford, which tempt on to the wildest sort of extravagance; they have exquisite prints of the world's great paintings, and occasionally they house for a time some art exhibit of note. One James Rogers, "Artist and craftsman in wood", has a little shop on the High, full of exquisite bits of his handiwork. The book shops, however, are the crowning achievement in the Oxford business world. From the outside they present no very unusual appearance; but as soon as one enters he sees that he is in a world of books. From floor to ceiling the walls are lined with books, great stacks in the middle of the room are loaded; and one room leads into another and yet another, with funny little passages connecting them and all full to the brim with books. There is everything in these places from the simple little volumes of the Everyman Press to the elaborately bound products of Cassell. One may browse around among these treasures for hours, without being pressed by a zealous clerk to buy.

Such a consideration of Oxford shops inevitably leads one to certain conclusions regarding the Oxonian. Obviously he is comparatively indifferent to matters of sanitation, to what we consider the ordinary comforts of life, and to matters of dress. Not only is he indifferent to these things, he has a supreme contempt for those materialistic beings who count them important. Isn't it a strange freak of human nature that any people should consider attention to dress beneath their dignity? But the Englishman clearly likes plenty of substantial food and he likes his drink. And last (and of this he is justly proud) he cares much for the amenities of life.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 year. All wish to live long, but not to be called old.

It is altogether in vain to learn wisdom and yet live foolishly.

It is a kind of happiness to know to what extent we may be unhappy.

MISSOURI LEAD MINERS STRIKE

Flat River, Mo., April 8.—The lead belt of St. Francois County is threatened with a suspension of lead ore production for a few days at least. The miners took a vote which resulted in the employees on two shafts refusing to work. The night shifts at shafts 3 and 4 refused to go to work last night. This morning the day shift came to the shafts and spent the entire day on the surface.

Only the miners are striking. All operations at the two shafts where the men are not working have been closed. The employees of the other shafts are scheduled to strike tonight, affecting more than 1000 men. The general cause of the strike is due to the fact that the men are objecting to scales that the company has been using to weigh the ore.

The St. Joseph Lead Company, whose employees are striking, recently purchased the property of the Federal Lead Company for a large sum of money, and is one of the largest lead companies in the lead belt, operating mines at Bonne Terre, Leadwood, Desloge, Elvins and Flat River. They recently increased the pay of the miners, but the trouble has arisen over the scales. The present strike is the first in the lead belt in a number of years. No trouble of any kind has yet arisen. Both men and officials hope for an early settlement.

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE AT POPLAR BLUFF DROPPED

Poplar Bluff, April 7.—The embezzlement case against Paul G. Woerth was dismissed today. The case was remanded for retrial recently by the Supreme Court, after Woerth had been convicted, in April, 1922, and given two years. The charge against Woerth, who was a prominent real estate man and head of the Union Farm Land Company, was that he embezzled \$10,000 from Frank Guinn. Guinn charged that he represented to him that he owned two big tracts of land in Butler and Stoddard counties, valued at \$30,000, and that he invested his \$10,000 as one-third interest in the company. After paying the money, Guinn alleges, he learned that the company

did not own such land. The Supreme Court held that the check was made to the Union Company and was indorsed in the name of Union company, and, therefore, there was no personal embezzlement committed by Woerth.

*Fire Damages Memorial Building

Farmington, Mo., April 8.—The Long Memorial building was damaged by fire this morning to the extent

of about \$15,000. The blaze was caused apparently by spontaneous combustion. The building was nearing completion at a cost of \$85,000. The funds for the building were provided in the will of Mrs. James B. Long (nee Long), who, with her brother, Dubart Long, lived in Hamilton, Ont. It was dedicated to the members of the Long family, who were natives of this city.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

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Good planting seed are going to be scarce this spring. Better place your order now.

ACALA NO. 5 Pedigreed, Certified, Recleaned, Fumigated—Direct from Breeding Plots.

PURE DELFOS 6102 Recleaned, Fumigated.

Pure Trice—Rowden—Wannamaker Cleveland Also Selected Home Grown Acclimated Seed For Sale

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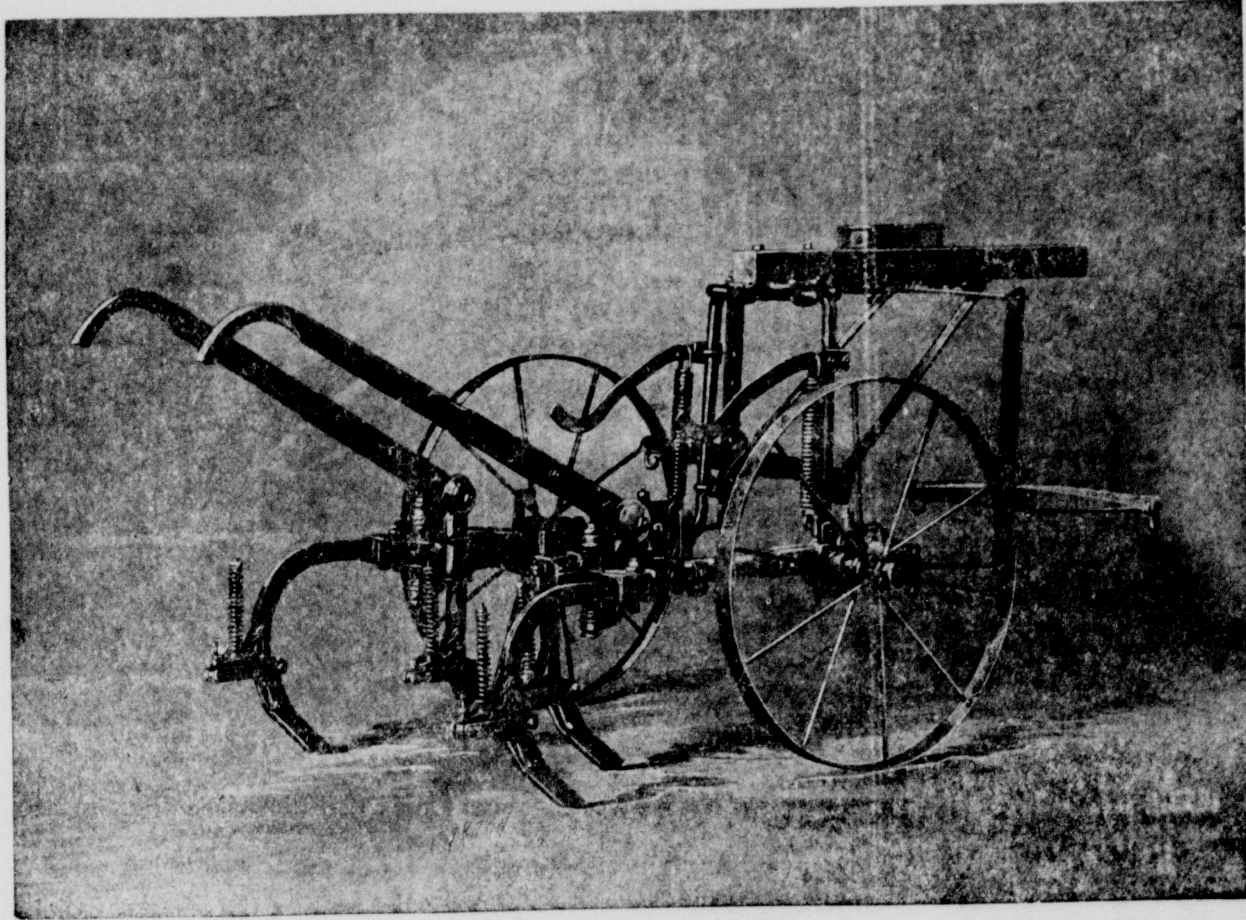
Sikes-McMullin Grain Co., Sikeston, Mo.

...Cotton Planting Seed For Sale...

A few ton of the following purebred, very earliest maturing varieties of Pedigreed Seed, most suitable for the heavy black land and a few varieties most suitable for the higher ground. Get started right in the cotton growing by buying purebred seed.

Pedigreed Improved Express, per ton	\$135.00
Pedigreed Wanamaker Cleveland, per ton	150.00
Pedigreed Cleveland Big Boll, per ton	150.00
Pedigreed Acalla No. 5, per ton	150.00
95 per cent pure Home Grown Acalla, per ton	100.00
Home Grown, Gin Run Acalla, per ton	80.00
Home Grown, Gin Run Wannamaker, per ton	80.00

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Improved Cultivator
\$37.50

The best Cultivator on the market today is this wonderful Improved Cultivator that we are showing. They "Stand the Racket."

Its Five Outstanding Features

Has Perfect Spring Trip Easy to Operate
Uses all attachments Fully Adjustable
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FARMERS SUPPLY CO.

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- Ted Weems and His Orch.
- I'm Somebody Nobody Loves —Fox Trot
- Waring's Pennsylvanians
- May Gal Sal—Fox Trot
- Ted Morse Medley Fox Trot
- Ted Weems and His Orch.
- The Manhattan Merry-makers
- Innocent Eyes—Fox Trot (From "Innocent Eyes")
- Say It Again—Fox Trot ("From Moonlight")
- International Novelty Orch.

DERRIS, The Druggist

New Victor Records Once a Week Every Week Friday





PRIDE IN APPEARANCE

"Pride in Appearance"

A Nation-wide Movement

There are few men who are not proud of their homes. A home is one of the things the world judges a man's social standing by, and as a consequence he wants it to be as good as he can make it. It is not merely a place to live, but one to which he is glad to invite his friends, where he may entertain them comfortably and be proud to do so.

Likewise there are few men who do not insist that their wives or daughters be well dressed—that their appearance be a credit to them.

Today there is sweeping throughout the country the "Pride in Appearance" Movement. It is a movement for better clothes for men, a movement for correct dress. It has been brought about by the attitude of men themselves, who are everywhere paying more attention to correct appearance, and who are insisting on finer things. Everywhere men are coming to know more about clothes, and are becoming more careful in their buying. They insist that a suit of clothes should do more than wear well. They insist also that it be correct, smart, well tailored and well cut. This movement is also evidenced by the attitude of manufacturers, who realize that they must offer better values and are doing so. It is not limited to one city or section of the country, but extends throughout the nation.

This movement means that men have realized the importance of clothes in everyday life, and are giving them the attention they deserve. Today no man cares to be incorrectly dressed, but on the contrary he takes pride in correct appearance. "Pride in Appearance" means that men have realized that clothes are a large factor in their impression upon other people, and that a man's appearance is a matter which will repay his most careful attention. He owes correct dress to himself for the added ease and self-confidence it gives him. He owes correct dress to his family because it gives them as much pride in his appearance as he takes in theirs. He owes it to his position, because clothes that are either conspicuous or ill-fitting are no help in business, but on the contrary are frequently a detriment.

In short, "Pride in Appearance" is sweeping the country because men everywhere have realized that no man can run the risk of seeming poorly dressed, but that his clothes, like his home, serve as a standard by which the world at large judges him and measures his standing.

BETTER STYLES, BIGGER ASSORTMENTS, GREATER VALUES

*These are our part
in the "Pride in Appearance" Movement*

Men in every city are realizing more than ever before the importance of good dress. That's the meaning of the "Pride in Appearance" Movement, which is sweeping the country.

Knowing our own city as we do, we realized months ago what the demand on us would be at the Easter Season. We prepared. We combed the markets of the country—we secured the cooperation of manufacturers, we made certain that we would have not only the largest assortments and the best styles we have ever known—but the greatest values as well.

They're ready for you now. Wonderful shirts, the finest of hosiery, colorful neckwear, smart hats; and an immense assortment of Society Brand Clothes, the best in America. A great many of them are the loose, easy style that's the thing today—broad shouldered coats, straight, wide trousers, the most comfortable and the best looking clothes men have ever worn.

All this is our part in the "Price in Appearance" movement; it's the biggest thing we have ever done; we want you to see it.

The New Spring Styles

\$25.⁰⁰

\$35.⁰⁰

\$45.⁰⁰

Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

SIKESTON-CAPE GIRARDEAU-CHARLESTON

HATS

There are two styles of hats that are particularly good this season. The careless effect with brim turned down, and the well-rolled brim of sturdy shape. We have both; featuring the wonderful Stetson and Schoble styles for Spring. You'll not find such hats as these outside the largest cities.

\$5.00 to \$7.00

SHIRTS

There is nothing better looking this season than the English Broadcloth shirt with or without collar attached. You may find these in our stocks in colors as well as in white and also a wonderful selection of silk strip madras still popular. We feature Emery Shirts because they fit and because they do not fade.

\$1.50 to \$5.00

Boys' Clothing

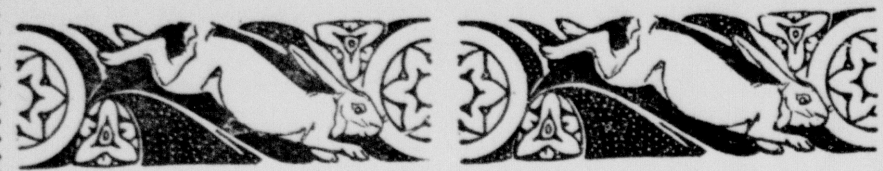
The selection of a boy's suit is an easy matter this season. We are showing beautiful patterns of the new powder blue, Scotch Tweeds and pencil stripes, patterns and cloths really unusual in the knee trouser line of clothing. All with two pairs of trousers, tailored with the same care as our young men's clothing.

\$10 \$12.50 \$15

SHOES

When better shoes than Walk-Overs are made we will have them, but we are more fully justified in featuring the Walk-Over men's styles for spring than ever before. The oxfords would do credit to the highest priced line made. You will readily agree they are wonderful shoes.

\$7 \$8.50 \$10



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Give her a box of Jacobs, Bunte, Blankes, Beichs, Ambrosia Candies.

All kinds of Easter Candies for the kiddies.



SOME SCOTT COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Turning Under Rye As a Crop Green Manure For Corn

A green manure crop should not be allowed to rob the corn land of its moisture. If a crop like rye is to be plowed under before corn, it may be allowed to stand until rather late provided the spring is one of rather heavy rainfall. If the weather is dry the growth of the rye crop may very materially reduce the moisture content of the soil. This will make it much more difficult for the corn to obtain sufficient water for its growth. It may be the cause of the corn firing during even a short period of drought.

The rye crop removes 300 to 400 pounds of water from the soil for each pound of dry matter produced. Therefore, if there is a ton of dry matter on the land in the rye green manure crop it means that there has been approximately three surface inches of water removed from within the soil. This may easily be equivalent to more than the total rainfall for the month of June. The roots extend down into the soil three to four feet and some go even deeper than this. The soil is, therefore, deprived of its reserve store of water, not only near the surface but to a considerable depth. It is a good plan to watch the weather as well as the growth of rye, and if the soil shows signs of becoming too dry the rye should be turned under at once. If rye is pastured so as to reduce the top growth it takes much less water from the soil.

Other green crops such as sweet clover or even weed growth, have a similar drying effect and the same precaution should be taken to prevent too great drying out of the soil. Sweet clover decays more rapidly than rye and may cause somewhat less loss of moisture after it has been turned under.

A green manure crop should be thoroughly disked down and incorporated with the soil before plowing under. This mixing it with the entire surface layer permits more rapid decay within the soil and insures more uniform moisture conditions. It is the rapid decay of the legumes after being turned under that enables

them to supply much more soluble nitrates to the corn crop than does rye which undergoes a very slow process of decay.

The ladies of the Cluggs Hill settlement met at the home of Mrs. Tom Sitton on Saturday, April 5, and held a poultry culling demonstration. County Agent Renner was present and gave instructions along this line. The following ladies were present: Mesdames J. E. Smith, Carter, Burns, I. A. Lynn, Waldrop, H. K. Dickey, L. M. Taylor and C. M. Beardslee. Several boys of the neighborhood were also present at this demonstration.

Watermelon Pests

Do you have any trouble with mice digging up the watermelon seed soon after you have planted them? If so, attend the watermelon pest controlling meeting, which will be held on the farms of J. E. Smith, on Wednesday, April 16, at 10:00 a. m., and David Lynn, Blodgett, on Thursday, April 17, at 9:00 a. m. Otis Wade of the Entomology Department, University of Missouri, will be present and discuss the best methods in controlling these pests. A demonstration will be conducted on how to prepare poison bait and how it should be used in the hill.

The first Apiary Culture demonstration as conducted by the Scott County Farm Bureau, will be held at Benton on the Court House lawn on April 16, at 2:00 p. m. Otis Wade, Extension Entomologist of the University of Missouri, will be present and assist in this work. He will also make a talk on "Requeening of the Hive". If you own any bees you cannot afford to miss this demonstration, as every step in transferring of bees will be discussed by the specialist.

Watermelon Pests

One of the most dangerous insects to the young watermelon plant is the striped cucumber beetle. This insect lives over the winter in the adult stage and feeds on the young plant during the first four weeks of the plant's life. Many plants which live through the attack of the adults are later on injured when the larvae of the adults begin to feed upon the contents of the watermelon plant root. To protect these melon plants from insects an insecticide should be used, starting when plants are very small. If the weather is decidedly favorable for insect life it may be necessary to make two or three dustings from five to seven days apart. The best dusting is one containing 4 per cent actual nicotine and 10 per cent arsenate of lead for use on melons to control both the striped melon or cucumber beetle and melon aphid or plant lice. This dust should be applied in the heat of the day with a good duster. This dust gives the quickest results and is exceptionally good when there is immediate danger from either insect.

Where only beetles are present and not in dangerous numbers the plants can be dusted with the dust mixture introduced by the Agricultural Extension Service which has been used successfully for the past two or three years. It is made by thoroughly mixing the following materials: 15 pounds air slaked or hydrated lime, 1 pound arsenate of lead, one-half pound Paris green. If no duster is available this mixture can be applied by shaking it on the plant through a coarse sack or thru a syrup bucket with nail holes punched through the bottom. For further information regarding the control of these insects, apply at your local Farm Bureau of Benton.

FARM BUREAU NEWS FROM NEW MADRID

B. F. King To Be In New Madrid County About Middle of April

B. F. King, the man who is to be in charge of the cotton experiment fields in Southeast Missouri, will be in New Madrid County about the middle of April, for the purpose of plotting and laying plans for the planting of the fields on Alfred Stepp and Bill Sikes farms. It is likely that Mr. King will also attempt to secure another field on the far side of the swamps. The representatives of the University attempted to place a field near Parma and Malden, but were unable to secure a ten acre plot of the soil type desired, which was uniform throughout. If time permits, Mr. King will likely locate such a field.

Solan T. Gee of Parma to Have Cotton Demonstration Field

The fourth cotton demonstration field for New Madrid County will be on the farm of Solan T. Gee, Parma. These demonstration fields are different from experiment fields in that they are of one year's duration and are established to show the advantages of good practices over those of bad. Mr. Gee has agreed to put on a demonstration and the field that he has set aside for this purpose is admirably located and well suited for such work.

The demonstration fields will be under the supervision of Ide P. Trotter and the County Agent.

Broom Corn a Successful Crop In New Madrid County

Southeast Missouri has long been advertised as a country where everything grows. This is being demonstrated more thoroughly each year. The newest crop that is being developed is the growing of broom corn. Last year over six cars were shipped out of Gideon and this year there is a decidedly increase in the acreage to be planted. The farmers near Gideon, according to M. I. Schmuck, not only produced good fields of broom corn but produced it at a very good profit. Mr. Schmuck thinks that this year the acreage will be more than doubled and with prices at \$300 or more per ton it is one of the most profitable crops that can be grown, since the larger varieties will produce six to seven hundred pounds per acre.

What About Hogs?

There is hardly a farmer within the county who is not asking that question. Most of them are discouraged and consequently have sold or are selling off everything that looks like a hog. It is true that one cannot feed \$1.25 corn to 4c hogs and expect to come out. However, the situation is bound to change sometime, and very likely in the near future the farmers will be after securing breeding stock to build up a herd again. When this time comes the demand for breeding stock will be so great that those who have such stock on hand will be able to ask their own price.

It would be so much better for the farmers if they would hold back a few head for breeding purposes against the time when the price of hogs go up. There are a few people who are looking ahead to that time. Mrs. A. B. Hunter of New Madrid, who has a large herd of extremely fine bred Poland Chinas, refuses to be discouraged of the present situation and is keeping her herd intact. There ought to be many more like Mrs. Hunter. It would mean a big saving to the farmers of New Madrid County who are disposing of their breeding stock if, when they get ready to again build up a herd that they could go to someone within their own county and buy good stock that they know has been carefully selected and well cared for.

Helping the Income

The old adage that "Necessity is the Mother of Invention" holds true in the business of farming as well as in other lines of pursuit. It has become necessary for the farmers in general to devise ways and means of adding to their income, other than a dependence on a corn crop or a cotton crop alone. There are many ways of helping out being practiced by farmers and there are many ways that are being devised and thought over by other farmers.

Lawrence Hahn, a farmer living near Portageville, has hit upon an idea that will probably result in a material increase to his income. Mr. Hahn plans to grow an acre or more of truck, can this truck when ready, and market the products already canned. One of Mr. Hahn's neighbors, Mrs. T. A. Penman has demonstrated thoroughly, to that community, the value of a home canner. Mr. Hahn has decided to enlarge upon this and can, not only for home use, but for the market. He then will avoid having his vegetables perish for lack of

a market or having to sell at a very low price in order to keep them from perishing on his hands.

Farmers Urged to Use Fertilizer As An Experiment

The County Agent of New Madrid County has urged the farmers to try fertilizer this year as an experiment. He does not believe that anyone who has not used fertilizer on cotton in previous years would be wise in using large quantities of it without first trying it out on a small scale. For this purpose the New Madrid County Farm Bureau bought a car of Acid Phosphate. Most of this has been distributed, although there is still a few tons on hand. Anyone in a position to use some of this can secure it at the office of the Farm Bureau.

LELANDS TO SUE FORD SAYS NEW YORK WORLD

New York, April 7.—The New York World this morning is printing an article which says: Henry Ford, Mrs. Ford and Edsel Ford are to be brought into court in a bitter legal and personal quarrel over millions if Henry M. and Wilfred C. Leland of Detroit carry out their plain intimations which they made in the sensational letter to Ford and which have been communicated to original stockholders of the Lincoln Motor Company.

Charges that Henry Ford broke faith in promises to repay persons who had invested money as part of his \$17,500,000 Lincoln deal; that tales of his remarkable generosity which were floated at the time of his presidential boom were false; that he inveigled supposed old friends into a deal and then by secret intrigue took advantage of them and forced them out—these are elements in what will prove a celebrated case if it comes to trial.

The fact that Ford has ignored the Leland ultimatum sent him March 19 gives reason to expect their threat of filing suit will be carried out quickly.

For months, largely through published articles and statements emanating from persons in close touch with Ford, a public impression has been given that the automobile magnate generously paid more for the Lincoln plant than it was worth; generously put Henry Leland, pioneer automobile builder, on his feet; generously paid \$4,000,000 to creditors who had no legal strings on him; generously had made good or planned to make good losses of stockholders.

This rose colored picture is mythical, the Lelands assert. They charge Ford has done nothing he was not legally obligated to do and that he has failed to fulfill specific conditions of the Lincoln sale.

County Agent Renner of Benton was a visitor here, Tuesday.

GERMANY NOT TO PAY FOR WAR-TIME SHIPS

Washington, April 7.—The Mixed Claims Commission decided today that Germany is not obligated to compensate for ships operated by the United States at the time of their destruction during the war for purposes directly in furtherance of military operations against Germany. Thirteen cases, submitted as a test, were decided by the commission.

The rules laid down apply to vessels destroyed during the period the United States was at war, there being no dispute that Germany is financially obligated for similar losses occurring while the United States was neutral.

It is believed the decision will enable speedy preparations and presentation of all other claims arising from the destruction of vessels where such hulls did not constitute "naval materials", as defined by the commission. Experts will report to the commission for its consideration their appraisal of the value of the hulls destroyed.

The commission held it was immaterial whether a ship was or was not owned by the United States; her possession, either actual or constructive, and her use by the United States, in direct furtherance of a military operation against its then enemies constituting the controlling test.

The facts in each case will be carefully examined and weighed, the decision said, and the commission will determine whether or not the particular ship at the time of her destruction was operated by the United States directly in furtherance of a military operation against Germany or her allies. If she was so operated she will fall within the excepted class.

Homer Lynn of Charleston spent a few hours here Wednesday, on business.

Mrs. Mike Clark and little son of St. Louis, are spending a few days in this city, with relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Welch and daughters, Miss Elizabeth and Catherine Frances, Mrs. J. N. Sheppard and Mrs. R. A. Moll and children spent Wednesday in Cape Girardeau.

J. W. Clemson, agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad at Oran, on March 6 rounded out his forty-fifth year of service with the railroad. In addition to his regular duties, Mr. Clemson has found time to establish a small "College of Railroad" all his own, according to an article in the April issue of The Missouri Pacific Magazine. His "school", which is held in the Missouri Pacific station at Oran and which can accommodate only one student at a time, now has thirty-three young men who have received their training under Mr. Clemson now hold responsible position over the Missouri Pacific and other railroad systems.

A Sad Anti-Climax For "Silver Threads Among the Gold"

It has been praised as "one of the best-loved romantic ballads of all times", that popular song called "Silver Threads Among the Gold", but its tender prophecy was never fulfilled, it seems, for the woman who inspired it. That woman, Mrs. Harriet Danks, was buried recently near New York City, and for her, reports the New York World, "the long trail of unhappiness that so strangely followed the writing of the love strain is over". The report runs on:

Mrs. Danks was eighty-two. She died Wednesday, in reduced circumstances, in a Brooklyn rooming-house. She was buried in New Union Field, after a simple service in the Lefferts Place Chapel.

In 1874, when Hart Pease Danks, a young musician and singer, and his wife were living happily together in this city, he composed to her one of the tenderest love songs of the ages. Everybody knows it:

Darling, I am growing old,
Silver threads among the gold
Shine upon my brow today.
Life is fading fast away.
But, my darling, you will be
Always young and fair to me.
Yes, my darling, you will be
Always young and fair to me.

Who has not sung or tried to sing or heard sung that immortal refrain? The words were written by Eben E. Rexford. Danks composed the melody. Perhaps the course of his life would have been different if

he never had composed it. The song sold, prosperity came, and with it domestic unhappiness. Danks and his wife parted.

In 1903 an old man was found dead in a rooming-house in Philadelphia. His landlady found him kneeling at the side of his bed, where death had overtaken him. He had a copy of "Silver Threads Among the Gold" in his hand, and on it was penciled: "It's hard to grow alone". That was how Danks died, and his widow died in circumstances nearly parallel.

Meanwhile, for years, while the song which had been written for love of her was being sung by lovers throughout the world, the widow of Danks grew to feel the pinch of want and the loneliness of old age.

The prophecy of her lover of the old days remain unfulfilled.

Arthur Brisbane's highly practical moral, as drawn in his daily syndicated column, runs:

It's better to put a good house and lot in your wife's name, or build up for her a respectable bank account, that you can't touch, than to sing to her "Yes, my darling you will be always young and fair to me."—Literary Digest.

If you are thinking of building a house, a barn, or having repairs made see J. C. Davis, phone 319.

Camp Funston, the training ground for thousands of Middle West soldiers during the World War, is to become an oats field. Army tractors are pulling up concrete posts and breaking up asphalt streets. Seventy acres will be sown.

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the
Sikeston Co-Operative Livestock Shipping Association, Saturday, April 12th.

At 7:30 p. m., in the

Chamber of Commerce Room

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Ranney Applegate, President
W. H. Sikes, Secretary

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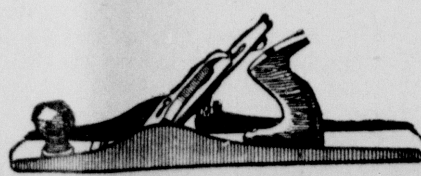


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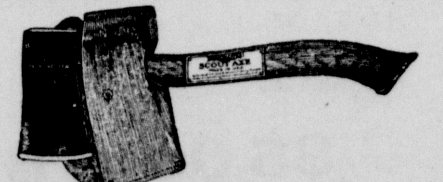
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom
Scott as a candidate for the nomina-
tion of Sheriff of Scott County, sub-
ject to the will of the voters at the
August primary.

We are authorized to announce F.
K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of
Scott County, subject to the will of
the Democratic voters at the August
primary.

We are authorized to announce
Parm A. Stone of Skeston for Sher-
iff of Scott County, subject to the will
of the Democratic voters at the Aug-
ust primary.

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P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of
Scott County, subject to the will of
the Democratic voters at the August
primary.

We are authorized to announce
Fred M. Farris, of Benton, as candi-
date for Sheriff, of Scott County,
subject to the will of the voters at
the August primary.

We are authorized to announce
Bob Cannon, of Benton, as candidate
for Sheriff of Scott County, subject
to the will of the voters at the pri-
mary in August.

COUNTY ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce
Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for
Assessor of Scott County, subject to
the will of the Democratic voters at
the August primary.

We are authorized to announce
Geo. C. Bean, of Ilmo, for assessor
of Scott County, subject to hte will
of the Democratic voters at the Aug-
ust primary.

We are authorized to announce
Angles W. Bowman of Morley, for
County Assessor, subject to the will
of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce C.
C. Myers of Oran as Democratic can-
didate for the office of Assessor, sub-
ject to the will of the voters at the
August primary.

We are authorized to announce
James W. Robertson, of Skeston, as
a candidate for Assessor of Scott
County, subject to the will of the vo-
ters at the August primary.

NEW MADRID COUNTY

We are authorized to announce G.
P. Deane, of Matthews, as a candi-
date for Sheriff of New Madrid Coun-
ty, subject to the will of the Demo-
cratic voters at the August primary.

SPRAYING FOR FRUIT ROTS
INDICATES GOOD RESULTS

Spraying strawberries for the con-
trol of leaf-spot diseases has fre-
quently been recommended, and a
few growers in widely separated lo-
calities have sprayed regularly for
fruit rots and have reported an ap-
parent reduction in losses. The first
systematic experiments, however,
for the control of fruit rots by spray-
ing were made by the United States
Department of Agriculture last year,
and although the results of this one
season's work must be regarded as
inconclusive, some favorable results
seem to be indicated.

Various sprays were used, and no
one seemed to show a marked superi-
ority over another, indicating that
no really satisfactory spray schedule
has yet been worked out. The in-
vestigators feel, however, that the
results justify the conclusion that
spraying with Bordeaux mixture,
and in some cases dusting, reduced
the losses from rot which developed
after the fruit was picked sufficiently
to more than justify the expense
of the treatment.

Strawberries are grown in this

Used Kimball phonograph retails
new at \$200.00. This one goes for
\$125.000. A bargain.—Lairs.

Mrs. Lyle Malone, Mrs. Grace Ma-
lone, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. Earl
Malone and son, Paul, spent the day
at Cape Girardeau shopping, Wed-
nesday.

Soy beans as a soil-building crop
which would also furnish an econ-
omical protein feed supplement have
been given a thorough trial by Black-
ford County, Ind., farmers, on the
advice of their agricultural extension
agent. The rapid increase in the
acreage planted to the crop in the
county indicates that they found it a
valuable addition to their cropping
system. Five years ago, according
to reports to the United States De-
partment of Agriculture, only a few
farmers in the county grew soy
beans, but in 1923 approximately 3,-
850 acres were grown with corn and
500 acres were grown alone for seed
and hay.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND
IN RIVER IDENTIFIED

The body of a young woman found
in the Mississippi River six miles
south of Bird's Point on Saturday,
was identified today at Charleston as
that of Miss Mary Kasel, 34 years
old, who had been missing from her
home at Washington, Mo., for more
than five months. Identity of the
body, which was taken up from the
grave in a small cemetery in which
the remains had been laid, was es-
tablished by the clothing and the
dental work, described by the mother
and sister of the woman, who went to
Charleston when they read newspa-
per reports of the finding of the body.

Despondency over a love affair, led
the young woman to take her own
life, is the belief of relatives, who
told Dr. F. S. Vernon, the county
coroner at Charleston, that she had
been despondent for several days
prior to her mysterious disappear-
ance.

The young woman, with her moth-
er and sister, Miss Ella Kasel, op-
erated a millinery store at Washing-
ton, the coroner was told, and all three
worked there. Late in the afternoon
of November 2, last, the young wo-
man, together with her sister, was
preparing to go to their home, when
she walked out of the front door and
vanished.

A searching party was hastily or-
ganized, but no trace of the young
woman could be found. The suppo-
sition there was that she had gone
down to the Missouri river two
blocks distant, and had leaped into
the water from the ferryboat land-
ing. The river was watched for sev-
eral miles, but no trace of a body
could be found.

When we left she was attired in
plain street clothes, a dark skirt
and a light waist, relatives said, but
when she was found by Frank Rip-
perdam, a farmer near Bird's Point
last Saturday, the body had only
a thin under-garment, silk stockings
and a pair of satin slippers with
pearl buttons. The body was also
scarred with wounds, which the co-
roner believed was caused by the ice
and driftwood in the river. There
were no evidence of violence, the co-
roner declared.

The body floated for more than
300 miles before it was taken from
the river, and it is believed that it
was concealed under the ice for the
greater part of the time. Although
badly decomposed, authorities said
that the resemblance between the
facial features of the young woman
and her relatives, established with-
out doubt its identity. Also, it was
explained, a chart of the dental work
was made by a dentist at Washing-
ton and this tallied to every detail
with the results of an examination
made by the coroner.

The body was discovered by the
farmer near Bird's Point floating in
a mass of driftwood near the center
of the Mississippi river. He dragged
it to the shore and after an examina-
tion by Coroner Vernon, it was bur-
ied in a cemetery, from where it was
taken on the arrival of relatives
Wednesday afternoon.

The slippers taken from the body
were first shown to Miss Ella Kasel,
a sister of the young woman.

"Those belonged to her," the sis-
ter sobbed, and when authorities also
produced the flimsy wearing apparel,
the sister was convinced that the
body of her sister had been found.
She said that her sister had been go-
ing with a young man at Washing-
ton, but he had left and since his de-
parture she had been despondent.

A \$100 reward for the recovery of
the body offered by the family, will
probably be claimed by Ripperdam.

Washington is located on the Mis-
souri river in Franklin county, near-
ly 100 miles west of St. Louis.—
Cape Missourian.

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Will sell separately,
cheap, or will trade on
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ner of Greer and Kings-
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Floral Co.J. B. ALBRITTON
EmbalmerOpen Day or Night
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Farm His Father Owned

Title to a tract of land, composed of
100 acres, homesteaded by his father,
Black War Bonnet, in 1875, has been
given to Joseph War Bonnet, a Sioux
Indian of the Ogallala band, through
a decision of the Department of the
Interior. Originally, it was unsur-
veyed land, and Black War Bonnet
settled on the 100 acres, making im-
provements costing over \$200, and also
occupied the tract continuously for
three years, thus entitling him to own-
ership. In 1879 he received a certifi-
cate giving him complete possession of
the piece of land, upon which he con-
tinued to reside with his family until
dispossessed in 1882. In the same
year he died, leaving his wife and two
children. The wife and the other
child have since died, leaving Joseph
War Bonnet the only surviving heir.

For many years Joseph War Bon-
net has been making efforts to obtain
possession of the 100 acres of land
homesteaded by his father, but be-
cause it was withdrawn from the pub-
lic domain by an executive order and
for other reasons his petitions have
been denied by officials of the general
land office.

Joseph War Bonnet in 1921 made an
appeal from all these adverse decisions
to the secretary of the interior, and
final action was postponed pending
the examination of witnesses and the
securing of accurate description of the
land. Several hearings have been held
in the case during the past two years,
with the result that a final decision
was issued, giving the heir full own-
ership and possession of the land homo-
esteaded by his father many years ago.

The case is referred to as one where
"long-delayed justice to a red man"
has been effected.—Department of the
Interior Bulletin.

Pin in Candle Meant
Right to Have Hearing

There was an old French peasant
custom which held the wisdom of Sol-
omon. This law was called "The Pin
in the Candle," interpreted by the
English as "The Right to Be Heard."

In the old days if a man and his
wife disagreed, the official to whom an
appeal was made put two pins in a
lighted tallow candle, equal spaces
apart. The husband was allowed to
talk until the flame burned down to
his pin, and then he had to listen
while his wife talked, until the flame
reached her pin.

This law passed into oblivion long
since, but its influence became a part
of the family life of France. It is a
tradition—particularly among the peas-
ants—when a family dispute arises and
one member prolongs a scolding or com-
plaint for the rest of the family to
say: "It is now mother's pin in the
candle," or, "It is now father's pin in
the candle!"

So simple a legend as this has
brought peace to a multitude of people.
How many of us might apply to our
daily living and hear both sides of
the story!—Delineator.

Says Many Are Buried Alive

On the theory that electrocution
does not permanently kill all victims,
Professor Jellinek, head of the Vienna
Electro Pathological institute, has re-
cently startled the medical and elec-
trical world by announcing that, in his
opinion, many victims of electrocutions
have been buried alive. He maintains
that electric shock only drives the vic-
tim into a trance and that hope of
saving them should not be abandoned
until physical decay starts. He be-
lieves that hundreds have been buried
alive, whereas if they had been
worked over for a day or more they
would have been revived.

Human Hair Cloth

Tons of human hair are being used
now in making a strong cloth. A
Southern factory is supplying the de-
mand of cottonseed oil mills for a
fabric that will resist for a time at
least a pressure of 4,000 to 4,500
pounds a square inch. Only that made
from hair is strong enough. When the
price of camel's hair became prohibi-
tive experiments were begun with hu-
man hair, with the result that special
hair-weaving machines were devised
and a source of supply of human hair
was located in China.

Going America One Better

China's newest department store in
Hankow is to have a theater, a con-
cert hall and other entertainments
alongside the bargain counters for the
amusement of its shoppers. The Wing
On company, conductor of department
stores in Shanghai and Hongkong, has
acquired about two acres of land on
the main street of Hankow for the
erection of the several buildings.

Salesmanship

Hesitant Flapper—Aren't these hose
a bit flashy?
Salesman—Yes, miss; indeed they
are, and the papers forecast strong
winds for the next few days.
Hesitant Flapper—I'll take them.—
Boll Weevil.

Seeing Society

"This bootlegging must be a good
business. You're probably making a
fortune."
"Aw, it ain't de coin what counts
so much wit' me, lady. It's de people
you meet."—Life.

New Meteorological Device

Simpler than the usual meteorolog-
ical instrument is a combined ther-
mometer and clock which records the
temperature and tells the time on a
card for a week without attention.

Proper Brewing of Tea
Told by Chinese Poet

High tea would have been deemed
an abomination by the Chinese poet Lu
Wuh, who held that no food should be
taken in conjunction with the most de-
licious of all beverages. Lu Wuh
maintained that only three ingredients
are necessary for its decoction—tea,
water and salt—but each should be
selected with care.

"The leaves of the tea plant must
have creases like the leathern boot of
a Tartar horseman, must curl like the
dewlap of a mighty bullock; must un-
fold like the mist rising out of a ra-
vine, must gleam like a lake touched
by a zephyr; and be wet and soft like
fine earth newly swept by rain." Ac-
cording to this authority a mountain
spring furnished the best water for
tea making, with river water and or-
dinary spring water next in order of
excellence.

"There are three stages of boiling,"
Lu Wuh goes on to say. "The first
boil is when the little bubbles like the
eye of fishes swim on the surface.
The second boil is when the bubbles
are like crystal beads rolling in a foun-
tain. The third boil is when the bil-
lows surge wildly in the kettle."

Salt is put in the first boil, tea in
the second boil; at the third a dipper-
ful of cold water is poured into the
kettle to settle the tea and revive "the
youth of the water," after which the
decoction is poured into cups and
drunk.—Manchester Guardian.

Paine Helped Create
and Named the U. S. A.

To the average American Thomas
Paine is known merely as an "infidel."
He has been told that Paine wrote a
book entitled "Age of Reason" that as-
sailed orthodox Christianity. He may
not know that two decades before the
"Age of Reason" Paine, a native of
England, wrote a pamphlet that started
the American colonists really to think
of separating themselves from Eng-
land and joining themselves together
as a new nation, says the Detroit
News. When the revolution first start-
ed it was only a revolt against oppres-
sive measures of taxation and unjust
political discrimination. Even Wash-
ington as late as May, 1775, declared
himself against separation.

Then, early in January, 1776, Paine
published "Common Sense," in which
he not merely proposed an independent
nation to the dissatisfied colonists, but
raised the rebellion to the higher
plane of a war for liberty. Washington
was converted immediately. Paine de-
clined to accept any profit from the
work for himself, but gave all the
financial proceeds to the patriot cause.
It was in "Common Sense" that the
present name of the nation, "the
United States of America," first ap-
peared.

Did Moliere Wear Iron Mask?

M. Loquin, a former president of the
Academie de Bordeaux, holds that the
man in the iron mask was none other
than Moliere, whose disappearance the
Jesuits were supposed to have urged
the king to compass after the great
triumph of "Tartuffe."

"Moliere," says this learned man,
"died February 17, 1673; the captivity
of the man in the iron mask lasted 31
years, from February, 1673, to Novem-
ber, 1703."

The significant silence that prevailed
once Moliere was regarded as dead and
buried, the foul slanders that were
spread abroad shortly afterward and,
finally, the destruction of all Moliere's
posthumous works and the strange
disappearance of every single line of
his writing point to a sinister object.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Novels in a Nutshell

Much has been written in criticism
of English, French and Russian novels,
but never have their essential natures
been so crisply described as in these
paragraphs of anonymous origin:

An English novel is a book in which
two people want each other in the first
chapter, but do not get each other un-
til the last chapter.

A French novel is a book in which
two people get each other right in the
first chapter and from then on to the
last chapter don't want each other any
more.

A Russian novel is one in which two
people neither want each other nor get
each other, and round that fact 450
profoundly melancholy pages are writ-
ten.—Youth's Companion.

Experienced

A victim of chronic bronchitis called
on a doctor to be examined. The doc-
tor, after careful questioning, assured
the patient that the ailment would re-
spond readily to treatment. "I suppose
you must have had a great deal of ex-
perience with this disease?" said the
sufferer.

The doctor smiled wisely, and re-
plied: "Why, my dear sir, I've had
bronchitis myself for over fifteen
years."—Christian Evangelist.

Hobo Loyal to His Dog

A homeless hobo who was appre-
hended the other day refused an offer
of \$500 for his mongrel dog which ac-
companied him. The police sergeant
said that the dog's loyalty was already
proved, but he wanted to prove the
hobo's. But the hobo knew that he
could easily lose the \$500, but the dog
was worth more than that to him.

Their Own Fault

Keen, but Nervous Amateur—I say,
old chap, what shall I do if they ask
me to sing?

Candid Friend—Do? Why, sing, of
course. It'll be their own fault!—
London Humorist.

Bach Showed the Way
to Pure Modern Music

The fountain source of all was, of
course, Bach. When Bach had shown
the way, there was a surge and uprush
of pure music in central Europe to
which nothing in the history of other
arts can be compared, unless it be the
building of the French cathedrals. It
was as if a vast gold mine had been
discovered, opening out to those
happy mortals who had first right of
entry long galleries of metal, precious
and pure; nor did they waste their
matchless opportunity, but tirelessly
worked on, minting in streams a beau-
tiful clear coinage which was good in
all the markets of the world. Of
almost all the great composers of the
Nineteenth century fertility is the
conspicuous trait; they were limited
only by the capacity of their hands
to write down what their invention dic-
tated. And what they dictated was,
broadly speaking, all good. Haydn's
symphonies, Schubert's songs, remain.
Countless, they still have meaning
for us—more meaning than most of
the music of the day. The world had
not changed, but the human mind had
suddenly found means to appreciate
it newly, and the whole story of crea-
tion, all the sumptuous diversities of
human life, all the accumulated expe-
rience of the ages, was virgin soil,
a child's garden, of richness and
freshness inexhaustible.—Basil De Sel-
incourt, in "The English Secret."

Myth of the Amazons
Older Than Greek Fable

The Amazons are best known from
Grecian mythology. The origin of the
myth, however, is said to antedate
even the heroic age of Grecian fable
and to come from Asia Minor.

Far back in antiquity these female
warriors are said to have come from
the shores of the Caspian sea and, con-
quering Asia Minor, to have built the
cities of Ephesus, Smyrna, Myrina and
Kyme, says the Detroit News. The
worship of their Titanic queen, a sort
of "queen bee," was carried on with
barbaric ceremonies, even to the time
of authentic Greek history.

Always known as "Ma," this arch
priestess was said to be served by
6,000 minor priestesses and by eunuchs
without number.

When the Spaniards and Portuguese
discovered and settled the east coast
of South America they encountered on
every hand, from the Gulf of Mexico to
Paraguay, an Indian legend of a re-
doubtable tribe of female warriors who
had their home somewhere along the
banks of that river, the Amazon, which
now bears their name—no doubt given
them by the European settlers, who
were familiar with the Amazons of an-
cient fable.

Wasted Words

Johnston missed his train the other
evening, so he went to have his hair
cut. When he entered the barber's
shop he was in a quarrelsome frame of
mind.

"Cut it without conversation," he
growled, as he took his place in the
chair. "Don't want any hair restorer,
scalp invigorator, dandruff eradicant,
face lotion, potion or anything else.
I've read all about the Near-East trou-
bles, and don't interest myself in box-
ing, racing or football. As regards the
weather—"

Here a customer nudged Johnson's
elbow.

"You'll have to write it down on his
slate, mister," he said, "if you want
to tell him anything. He's deaf and
dumb."—Tonsorial Journal.

Every municipal office in Columbus
Junction, Ia., is held by a woman.

From a 3 per cent to a 62 per cent
purebred dairy-sire county in seven
years is the record completed in 1923
by Weber County, Utah. In 1916
there were only six purebred dairy
sires in the county. As there is a
good near-by market for milk and
milk-products, the county agricultur-
al agent and progressive farmers of
the county felt, in planning their ag-
ricultural program, that the dairy
output could be advantageously in-
creased. They decided that this could
be done satisfactorily through the
introduction of better sires, and
have been working on that line. By
1923, according to reports to the
United States Department of Agri-
culture, 80 purebred dairy sires were

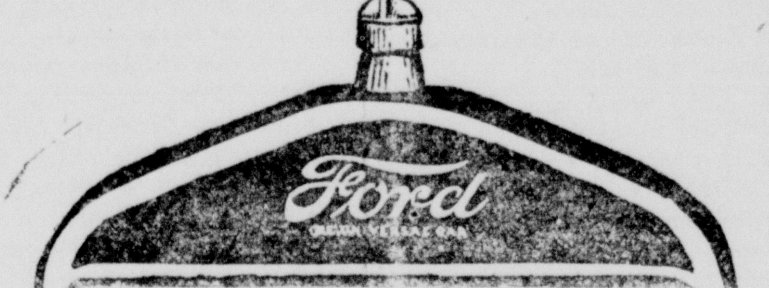
owned in the county, all of them
from dams for three generations back
with an official record of at least 600
pounds annual butter-fat production.

One out of every five women in
Pennsylvania is employed.

All in all, there are 15,000,000
more women than men in Europe.

The style of wearing silk stockings
was first started by Queen Elizabeth.

WANTED—Dress making and plain
sewing. Have pleased some of the
best people in and around Skeston
and I can please you. New clothes
made out of old. Prices reasonable.
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Several exceptional val-
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The manufacturers make this free educational offer to
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Send me details of your free trial
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**Union Electric Light
& Power Co.**

LOCAL MERCHANT PARTICIPATES IN NATION-WIDE MOVEMENT

"PRIDE IN APPEARANCE" BROUGHT HERE BY BUCKNER-RAGS-DALE STORE COMPANY

Spring has brought forth a remarkable development in the field of men's wear—the "Pride in Appearance" Movement. This Movement towards better clothes for men has been gathering force for many months, and is now finding expression in all sections of the country. The features emphasized in men's wear for Spring call special attention to correctness and smartness—to "Pride in Appearance".

Mr. Kimes, of the Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co. who are participating in this nation-wide movement and who for the next ten days are featuring a special "Pride in Appearance" Event at their store, said in an interview concerning the significance and cause of this movement:

"American women are known the world over for their dress. Nowhere else have women been so quick to realize the importance of clothes, and, as a consequence, nowhere else have so many women been well-dressed."

"With the American man, the case has been different. Franklin, in Revolutionary days, appeared before the courts of Europe clad in homespun. And until recent times the American man generally has not usually given much attention to appearance. The same man who is proud of the appearance of his wife and daughter, who insists that they be well-dressed, has often himself been negligent. If his wife or daughter should make a public appearance badly dressed, he would regard it as casting discredit upon himself, but he has seldom given much thought to his own clothes, or considered that clothes might be taken as an index to his social standing."

"This condition was perhaps natural in a new country. Life was hard and as a result men had little time to give to appearance. In the South men took pains to look their parts and to dress in accordance with their social standards, but this was a notable exception to the rest of the nation."

A Remarkable Change
"During recent years, however, there has been a decided change. As the nation has ceased to be a pioneering country, men have had more leisure and have realized the importance of proper dress. Not that clothes make the man, but they do give the first impression of a man. A

well-dressed man gives an impression of carefulness, of prosperity, and above all of a well-ordered existence. He has an air about him of being dependable, while a person badly clothed is justly suspected of being careless in other things also. To be sure, no man is admired for giving over-anxious attention to his clothes, but few men today would argue that an ill-fitting suit was a help in business. For clothes are perhaps the most important single item in giving a good first impression."

"Pride in Appearance"
"This change may be summed up in a phrase: 'Pride in Appearance'. Men regard clothes today as something more than a necessity. They regard them as a source of constant pleasure and satisfaction, and as a standard by which the world at large measures their social standing. Men have come to realize that they owe it to themselves, their families and their positions to dress well."

"This movement for better dress, the 'Pride in Appearance' movement, is sweeping the country. It is evidenced by the attitude of men in buying clothes. In the past little attention was given to anything but whether a suit of clothes would wear. Today this is not enough. A man demands also that it be well-tailored, that it be well-cut. And he has discovered that correct, careful dress is not a matter of spending more money, but of choosing clothes more carefully, and as a result he chooses his clothes with more care. In a word, he has come to know more about clothes and has become more discriminating."

"The 'Pride in Appearance' movement is also evidenced by the attitude taken by clothing manufacturers. Manufacturers who are quick to respond to public opinion, realize the importance of the movement and are paying more attention to the character of their product. As a result, better values are to be found in men's clothes today than have ever before been offered—values which make it possible for every man to be better dressed—to take 'Pride in Appearance'."

"We think this movement so significant and so far-reaching in its effect," added Mr. Kimes, "that beginning today and until Easter Sunday, we are devoting both our store and our advertising entirely to a special 'Pride in Appearance' Event."

COTTON GROWERS TO REWARD BOY FARMERS

Little Rock, Ark., April 8.—Directors of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association, at their meeting here today, decided, as individuals, to contribute \$100 to a fund for a prize for the best exhibit of cotton by students of the Smith-Hughes Vocational Training Schools in Arkansas. The directors will contribute the money from their own pockets. A statewide contest will be staged among the students this summer and prizes totaling \$200 will be awarded to the student making the greatest profit from five acres of cotton. The prize winners will exhibit samples of their cotton at the state fair here next fall.

The directors spent considerable time discussing the advisability of encouraging and assisting the formation of a statewide agricultural credit corporation to be organized under the federal law. The object of the corporation would be to make it easier for small farmers to obtain credit to carry on their farming operations. The money would be borrowed from the federal intermediate credit banks. The agricultural credit corporation would have authority to issue bonds. Money would be loaned on personal indorsements, on growing cotton, on warehouse receipts and other personal collateral.

Discussion among the directors showed that some parts of the state need such additional credit facilities, while in other sections the bank facilities are sufficient. It was said that a statewide agricultural corporation has been organized in North Carolina and that it has proven very successful. In that state the corporation works through local banks. The matter will be discussed further by the Arkansas directors at their next meeting.

The directors approved the removal to Memphis and consolidation of both the sales and executive offices of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange. At present the sales office of the exchange is located at Atlanta, Ga., and the executive office at Dallas, Texas. The change will take place July 1. Changes to be made in the methods of management of the exchange were explained by President Charles G. Henry, who is a member of the board of trustees of the exchange. The exchange is the federation of the 12 state co-operative cotton marketing associations.

The directors instructed officers of the association to begin preparations for the annual election of directors of the association by the members. The election will take place in June, but the exact date has not been decided yet.

Jesse M. Miles of New Madrid, Mo., secretary of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association, and John Montgomery of Dexter, Mo., members of the board of directors of the Missouri association, attended the meeting.

Field workers of the association will hold a conference at the office tomorrow with G. H. Banks, director of field service; J. D. Elridge, general manager, and Carl E. Bailey, assistant secretary. President Henry left tonight for Jackson, Miss., where tomorrow he will attend a meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange.

The High School has a fine display of art in the window at Dudley's Place.

Mrs. V. M. Law returned to her home in Malden, Thursday, after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fox.

Atlas Peck attended court at Tickville one day this week, and he says some of the present-day offenders are so prominent-looking a person can hardly tell which is the client and which is the attorney.

Notice of Special School Election

School District of Skeston, Scott County, Missouri.

The qualified voters of the School District of Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, are hereby notified that a special election will be held on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1924, at the City Hall, in the City of Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said school district a proposition to increase the indebtedness of said school district in the sum of \$15,000.00, and authorize the Board of Education to borrow this sum of money and issued bonds for the payment thereof, to provide funds for erecting and furnishing an addition to the High School Building in said school district.

The polls will be open at the place heretofore designated for the reception of votes at six o'clock in the forenoon and remain open until seven o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

Done by order and resolution of the Board of Education of School District of Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, on the 2nd day of April, 1924.

R. E. BAILEY,
Secretary Board of Education.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Will Crumpecker, Mr. Malden and others are planning to plant corn and cotton this month if the good weather continues.

Dr. I. H. Dunaway has purchased a new Overland from the Superior Garage.

The new tile and brick garage of Mayor Cox is nearing completion. It will be a very attractive building. Ducky Wafford designed the building.

Spring plowing has progressed well in this community. A good part of the corn and cotton lands are ready to plant.

Mr. Pearce of Canolau attended a Board of Directors meeting of the Peoples Bank of Morehouse, Tuesday night.

The Sunday School Class of Mrs. Bryce Edwards had a food sale Wednesday afternoon netting \$7.25. They entertained the boys class under William Lowe, with a kids party, Thursday night. About fifty attended.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church rendered their play, "An Old-Fashioned Mother", at New Madrid, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Thelma Moccabee and her Sunday School class entertained Mrs. J. W. Sarff and her class of boys at the M. E. Church, last Monday night. R. R. Givens and Miss Maymie Boaz were quietly married early this week.

R. I. Bernert is confined to his home with sickness. A. C. Whitener, Missouri-Pacific Agent, is taking care of both depots.

The Triangle Club gave a dance Wednesday. The Edna Deal Syncoated Orchestra of Clarksdale, Mississippi furnished the music for the evening.

A hen belonging to Will Crumpecker laid a very large egg this week. Examination revealed a perfect egg, shell and normal in size within the outer egg, which likewise was complete. The combination made the largest egg ever seen in this community.

Dog Hill Paragraphs

(Commercial Appeal)

The Tickville train had to run right slow over the trestle in the Calf Ribs neighborhood Tuesday, afternoon, as Sap Spradlen, who was fishing underneath it, was on the verge of getting a bite.

From all reports Sile Kildew is about to attempt matrimony again. Of course, he has not admitted it, but he has got so he shaves every week and keeps his derby hat dusted off and his hair combed, and otherwise looks like he is going somewhere, which is a fine indication.

Cricket Hicks observed April Fool day by kicking an empty sack with a brick in it.

Frisby Hancock says humans are curious. He cannot see why Jefferson Potlocks is all the time complaining about the children leaving the front gate open, when there is not but one panel of his yard fence left.

Raz Barlow was noticed standing in an admiring attitude in front of the show window at the Elite millinery parlor at Tickville Monday afternoon, looking at the beautiful wax lady in the window. He says she sure does look like she is of a nice family.

The Deputy Constable is greatly excited over a postal card he has received announcing a reward of \$10,000 for the capture of a law violator, and he has dropped all his other cases to devote his full time to wishing he could capture the man.

Quite a sensation was occasioned in Tickville Saturday afternoon, when some unknown autoist ran over the Town Marshal's foot, which at the time was protruding into the street.

Sim Flinders went home today between meals and found his wife gone just as she had been threatening to do for some time, and he got scared about it until he saw her snuff box still standing in its old familiar place on the mantelpiece.

Sidney Hocks says it is a puzzle to him how a person can sit down on a box or a stump or the fence, or just anywhere, and think of something a thousand miles away.

Frisby Hancock says about all the mail he gets is from somebody trying to sell him something or else someone wanting to collect for what he has bought.

The chicken peddler of the Calf Rib neighborhood, was in our midst circulating around on Wednesday of this week. According to his scales the chicken crop is very light this season.

Jefferson Potlocks says you have no idea how people notice little things which are supposed not to be any of their business. Someone smelled ham frying at his home the other night and they couldn't rest until they asked him where he got it.

Very Interesting News For Women

OUR PRE-EASTER SALE OF COATS



Just at the time when you need a new spring coat comes this opportunity of buying your coat at greatly reduced prices.

Here you will find Sport Coats and Dress Coats. All included in this sale.

Special Groups at

\$10 \$15 \$19.75 \$24.75

NEW SILK GLOVES

\$2.00 \$2.50 \$3.00

NEW BLOUSES

Just received the new tailored Blouses in White Broadcloth and Tub Silk.

Several styles.

\$3.75 and \$5.95

New Dresses For Easter

Dresses in all the wanted colors and materials.

Special Groups at

\$5.00 \$10.00 \$15.00 \$24.75

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Clothing for Men and Women.

Sikeston, Mo.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz went to New Madrid Monday on business.

Mrs. Wes Depro is very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks motored to Skeston Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gossitt, and children motored to Skeston Sunday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Forest and Mrs. James Lancaster shopped in Skeston, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart and son and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley and sons spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chiles.

Mrs. George Reed and daughter, Mrs. Bess Fulkerson, were Skeston visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Taylor and children visited relatives in Catron last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Johnson and children of La Forge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wes Depro.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane motored to New Madrid Sunday. Nood Mainord of Skeston was in Matthews Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart and son, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sibley and

son and Mr. and Mrs. Latimer were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Monday.

Tollie Warren of Charleston was the guest of Miss Lillie Daughtery, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lancaster and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Lancaster.

Master Granville Mainord spent the week-end in Skeston with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord. J. A. Weatherford transacted business in Skeston, Monday.

Some girls paint and powder so much they have to look in the mirror to see whether it is them.

Washington Hocks says if everybody was honest watermelon patches would not have to be planted in sight of the house.

Mr. Glancy
of
THE MARQUETTE
18th St. and Washington Ave.
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A Refined Hotel for Your
Mother, Wife and Sister

Rates:
Room with Private Bath
One Person
\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00
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High germination. Write
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Leonards bulk garden seed, Tom Watson and Irish Grey mellow seed,
Rocky Ford and Pollock 10-25 cantaloup, timothy seed, Red Top seed,
Alsike clover, Orchard grass, Blue grass, soy beans, etc. Sudan
grass and cane seed, Delfos and Acala cotton seed, Dixie growing
mash, Dixie laying mash, Dixie chick feed, Dixie hen feed, Revenge
louse powder, Crisco, Grit, Oyster Shell and Charcoal.

If You Need Seed Of Any Description, See Us.

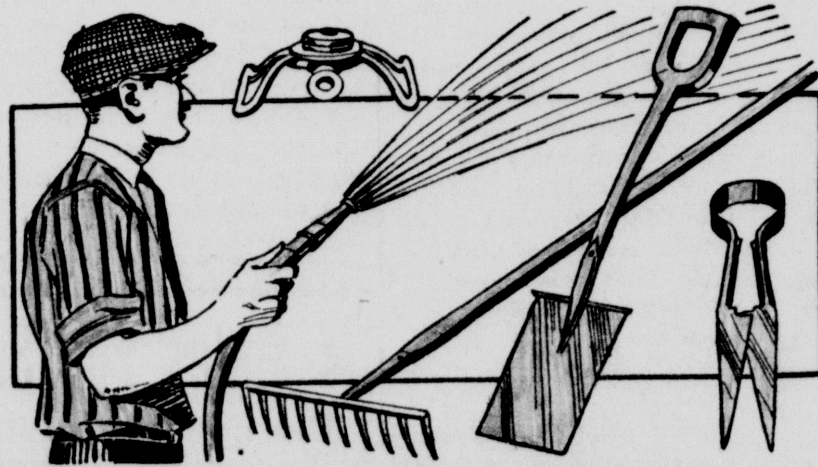
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The care of your Lawn becomes a pleasure when you have the proper Tools with which to work.

The cost of the things you need is not a great deal if you come here to buy.

Farmers Supply Co.
Hardware Dept.

DEFENDANT AND JUDGE ABSENT ON TRIAL DAY

Linn, Mo., April 7.—An Assistant Attorney-General and witnesses for the State against State Senator Tillman W. Anderson of Commerce, arrived here this morning for the trial of Anderson for alleged theft of an adding machine from the State Capitol, but found neither the defendant nor the Circuit Judge present.

Judge Breuer returned from Westphalia about noon and formally ordered a continuance of the case until June 9, the first day of the June term of court. The continuance was ordered over opposition of the State.

There have been a number of delays in the case. This one is due to the illness of A. T. Dumm of Jefferson City, chief counsel for Anderson. The charge resulted from an investigation of the disappearance of an adding machine, seven typewriters, lamps and other property from committee and other legislative rooms, following the 1923 session of the Legislature.

Judge Breuer was here before the arrival of Assistant Attorney-General Henry Davis and the State witnesses, for an adjourned session of the February term of Osage County Circuit Court, but the Judge went to Westphalia on personal business, leaving word he would be back this afternoon. No entry concerning the disposition of the Anderson case was found in the court minute book.

Four local attorneys for Senator Anderson, explaining his absence, said it was their understanding the case would be continued until the June term. It was announced last Friday that a continuance would be sought by the defense because of Attorney Dumm's illness, but the State refused to agree to this.

Judge Bruer, who presided at the robbery trial of "Jimmy" Hogan, St. Louis gangster, at Union last week, said then that he expected the Anderson case would be delayed by Dumm's illness, but that he was going to Linn to be prepared for it.

Men who had been summoned as prospective jurors for today were told later not to appear at this time.

The charge against Senator Anderson originally was filed in Cole County, but it was dismissed by the State. It was refiled in Gasconade County and a continuance was granted the defense because of Attorney Dumm's activity as a member of the Constitutional convention. Then a change of venue to Osage County was granted the defense. When the case was called at the opening of the February term here, it was continued by the Court because of a death in Judge Bruer's family.

A charge of larceny of two typewriters from the Capitol, against State Representative Allen D. Morrison and Nile Davidson, his clerk, of Sullivan County, was dismissed at Milan recently because the State failed to show that any stolen typewriters had been taken into Sullivan County, of which Milan is the seat.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. H. L. Saunders, field worker of the Presbyterian Church, has been temporarily assigned to the new work in Sikeston. He will preach Sunday at 3:00 p. m. at the Odd Fellows Hall on the subject: "Is Life Worth Living". He wants to meet all promoters of a Presbyterian Church and their friends. A most cordial welcome given the public.—Come.

The U. D. C. will meet Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Roy V. Ellise, with Miss Clippard as the leader.

Mrs. John Hitt returned Wednesday from Farmington, after spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. Bill Shain.

Mrs. L. O. Rodes and Miss Irma Wilson are in St. Louis. From there Mrs. Rodes will go to Springfield, Mo., to the Democratic State Convention of which she is a delegate.

Two good player-pianos in good trim, only slightly used, may be had on easy payments. Come in and see them. We are making a special of these players at one-half the price of a new one.—Lairs.

✓ The first cotton planted in the Sikeston vicinity that we have heard of was four acres planted by one of Arnold Roth's tenants, Tuesday, on a piece of sandy land. If this stand gets frosted there will be ample time to replant and if it passes Arnold will have early picking.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET MONDAY NIGHT

The new Board of Aldermen held their first business session in the Council Chamber Monday night with the Mayor and all members present, as follows:

Mayor Felker, Aldermen J. W. Black, T. A. Wilson, J. T. Bruce, F. H. Smith, R. L. Calvin, A. J. Boardman, L. H. Sexton, Aukon Cravens. Minutes of past month were read, corrected and approved.

Reports of all officers accepted and ordered filed.

The usual bills for salaries, material and miscellaneous expenses were allowed.

The matter of a general spring clean-up was discussed and the Mayor was to take this up with the Chairman of Street and Alley Commission.

Fred Briggs was present and asked the Board to appoint a flue inspector, and also reported that a family was living in the bone yard and should be removed.

Mrs. Hinds was present and asked that he be allowed to operate a shooting gallery. Upon motion, the matter was left in the hands of the Mayor or Chief of Police.

A letter from Swank & Tanner, in regard to making new city plats, was read, and upon motion was referred to a committee to be appointed by the Mayor.

Upon motion the Board went into executive session.

Upon motion Wm. Cox was unanimously appointed to the position of Cemetery Sexton.

Upon motion J. W. Noblin was appointed to the position of night marshal.

Upon motion the matter of employing additional police was left to the Mayor and the Chief of Police.

Upon motion Len Swanner was unanimously appointed to the position of Water Superintendent.

Upon motion L. W. Ables was unanimously appointed to the position of Street Commissioner.

Upon motion E. L. Swanner was unanimously appointed to the position of fire truck driver.

Upon motion L. M. Stallcup was appointed City Treasurer and the Sikeston Trust Co. the depository for the City funds.

Upon motion J. W. Black was unanimously elected Chairman of the Board.

Upon motion J. W. Black was appointed as a committee to investigate the matter of putting in the chlorine plant for purifying the City water.

Upon motion the Mayor was authorized to buy a typewriter for the City Clerk's office.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School.

11:00—Morning worship and preaching by the pastor.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. Meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Song service led by the choir. Sermon by the pastor.

Let us go to the House of the Lord together. I was a lad when they said unto me, "Let us go". S. P. BRITE, Pastor.

The Lair Music Co. sold a fine Edison to E. R. Caldwell this week.

Mrs. Stewart is very ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. D. Baker on Trotter street.

✓ Word was received here Wednesday that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shain, of Farmington, are the proud parents of a son, born on Saturday, April 5. Mrs. Shain was formerly, Miss Violet Hitt, of this city.

C. F. Bruton and wife, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. F. M. Sikes, Mrs. J. C. Lescher, Mrs. B. F. Blanton and Mrs. John Tanner met with committees from Ilmo and Oran at Benton Wednesday and went over the matter with the County Court of selling the present Infirmary or Poor Farm and applying the proceeds toward a modern home for our unfortunates. The Court agreed with the Committees that Scott County needed better accommodations but thought this was not a good time to dispose of the present farm to good advantage. The Committees promised their hearty co-operation when the time was right to make the change. The Sikeston Committee sent four rocking chairs to the home for the old folks and Ilmo has promised to send some. The poor house was visited and found to be in good condition and in good shape.

SIKESTON MERCANTILE CO.

Turning Our Thoughts to Easter WHAT SHALL WE WEAR?

One of the new Boyish-Tailored Suits—the triumph of the Season—shown in Sport and Mannish, woolen weaves.

Priced \$12.75, \$16.50, \$24.75

A Beautiful Dress

Wide selection of styles at

\$9.45 \$11.95 \$14.75

Assembled in these groups of dresses are the slender youthful models in Flannel and Silk Dresses. Splendid dresses to suit the conservative matron and dresses for the little miss.

Smart Coats for Easter Time

Exceptional quality, fashionable fabrics, models for every woman. Priced at

\$9.95 \$10.45 \$14.75

A Visit To Our Ready-to-Wear Department

Will be appreciated by us, and of great value to you.

There may be some disappointment along the line in the appointment of minor officials for the city, but it should be the duty of all law abiding citizens to back the judgment of the Board of Aldermen and lend every assistance to these officials to perform their duties to the best of their ability.

It is an impossibility to legislate folks to church. If they are in church they are in good company. We have no girls at home, hence put these thoughts on our boys. If they will not go to church we would much rather have them attend a good picture show on Sunday evening than have them hugging up some neighbor's girl on the roadside in the country. This may not be elegant nor uplifting, but it is just what is taking place on these auto drives unless we are misinformed. It is a problem what is best to do to save characters and souls these days.

Before the city election there was some talk, for political purposes, that if certain officials were put in, the picture show would open on Sunday. The election is over and we have heard no more of that sort of talk. Cairo, Cape Girardeau and New Madrid, surrounding cities, have Sunday picture shows and if Sikeston wants the Malone Theatre to open its doors on Sunday, Manager Metuchen will put on the best that can be secured that will be appropriate for Sunday. But if Sikeston does not want Sunday picture shows he does not intend to force them on her. If he does conclude to open his house on Sunday and a great howl goes up the demand will then be made that the officers close every business place in town, the garages, the oil stations, the cigar stands, the ice cream places, and like places, and that drug stores be forbidden to sell anything except medicine. If we are to have a closed town, let's have it, and if we are to permit one line of business to go on, let's have the picture show along with the rest.

549,415,000 BUSHELSS OF WHEAT FORECAST

Washington, April 9.—A winter wheat crop of 549,415,000 bushels this year was forecast today by the Department of Agriculture, assuming average abandonment of acreage and average influences to harvest. Last year's crop was 572,340,000 bushels.

The average condition of winter wheat on April 1 was 83 per cent of a normal compared with 75.2 on that date last year, and 82.5 the 10-year average. There was a decrease of 5 points in the condition between December 1 last year and April 1 this year, compared with an average decline of 4 points in the last 10 years.

A production of 59,135,000 bushels of rye was forecast compared with 63,023,000 last year. Rye condition was 83.5 per cent of a normal on April 1, compared with 81.8 on April 1 last year and ten-year average of 87.9.

The condition of winter wheat on April 1 was: Illinois, 73; Iowa, 89; Missouri, 77; Nebraska, 91; Kansas, 87; Texas, 91; Oklahoma, 87.

ALL the LATEST on records and sheet music.—Lairs.

Geo. Winters of New Madrid was a business visitors here Thursday.

Mrs. John Young, Mrs. Steve Humphreys, Mrs. Ogilvie and daughter, Miss Emma, attended the funeral of Frank Hequenburg at Charleston, Tuesday.

If you are interested in a baseball club for Sikeston this season, you can help by getting your friends out to the Carnival next week as they are playing a benefit for the Club. No high priced players will be hired by Sikeston, but home timber will be used. It may be necessary to secure an outside catcher.

Mrs. T. A. Wilson and little son, Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Charles Blanton, Jr. and Parker Adams spent Tuesday afternoon at Cape Girardeau.

The ladies of the Methodist church will have their annual flower sale at the Albritton Green House, April 22 and 23. Get your flower beds in shape for the event. Well kept lawns and flower beds add greatly to the appearance of the home.

It looks as though some of the Blantons are about to get to the top of the ladder. From Jesup, Ga., a telegram says Jim Blanton has been arrested at that place for engineering the stealing of \$200,000 worth of diamonds from the Provident Loan Association of Los Angeles. We are not acquainted with Jim, but he seems to have been enterprising.

The American Commission to devise way for Germany to pay her debts and get on her feet again have made their report and it points out the way for her to again become a world power and get on a sound financial basis. Experts have discovered that Germany is amply able to meet all her financial obligations if she will tax her people the same as other nations are taxed. They show, too, that Germany can feed her own people if she will. It looks like Germany is a poor looser and a moral coward.

The Standard now has on its presses the biggest job of printing ever handled in the Central West in a town of this size. It is the printing of 200,000 9x12 Juanita Baking Powder premiums in two colors and on both sides of the sheet. It takes 50 reams of 25x38 60-pound book weighing 3000 pounds to print the job. Mr. O. E. Latham will handle the Miller feeder during the day, while Milton Blanton will handle the job at night. The capacity of the press is 2200 per hour, so you see it means some work to handle this job. This leaves three other jobbers to take care of other work.

INTER-HIGH SCHOOL TRACK MEET HERE

Sikeston is to have the Third Annual Track and Field Meet Friday, April 18, at the Fair Grounds, beginning at 1:00 p. m. This promises to be the most interesting event held in Southeast Missouri for a long time. Teams from all over this section will enter in these events, which will be a warming-up meeting preceding the Field Day at Cape Girardeau. There will be eighteen events and nineteen medals and three cups competed for.

This annual affair of the Southeast Missouri High Schools draws many from a distance and every citizen of this vicinity who is interested in athletic events in the school should take the afternoon and witness these events.

The following events are on the program:

Shot put, 100 yd. dash, 50-yd. dash (girls), broad jump, shot put (girls), one-half mile dash, 220 dash, girls high jump, discus, 440 run, girls 100-yd. dash, boys high jump, pole vault, medley run, girls relay, Javelin throw, mile run, 440 relay.

REVOLT AGAINST SOVIET RULE REPORTED IN TURKESTAN

London, April 9.—Turkestan and the surrounding districts have revolted against Bolshevik rule, according to the Latvian Telegraph Agency, as quoted by the Daily Mail's Riga correspondent.

The revolting troops and populace are reported to have captured parts of the province of Ferghana and to be threatening the city of Khiva. The revolt is led by Czarist officers, the troops are mostly famatical Mohammedans and the rebellion is partly due to the anti-religious propaganda of the Bolsheviks, the agency dispatch declares. The Soviet is said to be rushing large forces to Turkestan.

The Mail correspondent quotes a member of the Soviet legation in Riga as saying that British influence from Persia was responsible for the revolt.

Mrs. A. T. Henry of New Madrid was in Sikeston shopping Tuesday.

Mrs. Fronie Nelson spent Wednesday evening in Charleston with her folks.

Mrs. S. B. Hardwick visited her sister, Mrs. Charles Darby at Dexter during the week.

Used Kimball phonograph retails new at \$200.00. This one goes for \$125.000. A bargain.—Lairs.

Mrs. Shain left Thursday morning for Farmington to spend a few days with her son, Bill Shain and family. Miss Bernice Farmer, of Charleston, who is with the Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co., of that city, spent Wednesday in Sikeston.

Miss Mae Stucker, who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Stucker, will return to St. Louis the first of the week.

The local chapter O. E. S. has been invited to attend a public installation of the White Shrine at Cape Girardeau on Monday, April 14, 7:30 p. m. at the Masonic Hall.

The lifting of an elephant by a human being seems incredible, but the feat was accomplished in New York by Martha Farra, an Italian strong woman, who lifted, with apparent ease, a two-ton elephant.

Uncle Joe Randol was in Cairo Tuesday to consult with specialists about a throat trouble that he has been suffering with. He was told that it would be necessary to go to St. Louis for treatment as the affection was something like a tumor. The Standard trusts that nothing serious will develop.

A letter from Mrs. W. T. Shanks to The Standard family, states that Mr. Shanks is steadily improving and that she and her sister, Miss Mildred Bowman are "aiming for the Peak" and really expect to accomplish it and receive a certificate from the Rocky Mountain Climbers Club, for having accomplished the feat.

James W. Robertson of Sikeston has announced as a candidate for Assessor of Scott County subject to the will of the Democratic primary in August. He was born and raised in Scott County, most of the time living at Blodgett. He lived one year in Benton and the past four years in Sikeston, where he has been with the Stubbs Motor Co. He is a splendid gentleman, thoroughly qualified for the position and if elected will make a good officer.

BILLS INTRODUCED FOR TRI-STATE BRIDGE

That Western Kentucky will benefit along with Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri in the construction of the proposed Tri-State Bridge at Cairo is evident to Congressman A. W. Barkley of Paducah, who introduced a bill in the National House of Representatives for a survey and estimate of the cost of the bridge. This is the third bill of a similar nature, the others having been introduced by Congressman E. E. Denison of Illinois and Congressman J. F. Fulbright of Missouri.

The bill will make possible an east and west highway from Louisville and points beyond through Paducah and Cairo to Poplar Bluff and points beyond.

Congressman Barkley's bill reads: "A bill providing for a survey and examination of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers for the purpose of determining the feasibility and estimating the cost of constructing a highway bridge across said rivers at Cairo, Illinois, connecting the States of Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of determining a tri-state bridge over the Ohio and Mississippi rivers at or near Cairo, Illinois, as a part of existing or projected interstate highway systems connecting the States of Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri, the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to cause a survey and examination to be made of said rivers at or near the above-named place; and he is authorized and directed, as soon as practicable after the passage of this Act, to submit his report, with estimates and recommendations for said bridge, which report shall also include an estimate of the length of spans and their elevation above low-water mark required in such bridge so as to present unobstructed interference with navigation.

"The necessary expenses for making the survey and examination herein provided for shall be paid from funds available for examination and surveys of rivers and harbors.

"Sec. 2. The Secretary of War is authorized and directed to invite the co-operation of the Secretary of Agriculture, through the Bureau of Public Roads, in the making of this survey and examination; and he is also authorized and directed to advise the Governors of the States of Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri of the objects of this Act and his plan of procedure thereunder, and to invite and make use of such co-operation from such states as they, at their own expense, shall provide through their respective State Highway Departments.—Cairo Citizen.

Every seventh woman in Germany is doomed to be an old maid, while in Austria and Hungary every fifth woman is doomed to single blessedness.

Miss Florence M. Poley of Cleveland, first woman to be elected a member of the American Association of Engineers, is a civil engineer for the Nickel Plate Railroad.

The Ben Hur Lodge held their regular meeting at the I. O. O. F. Hall, Wednesday evening. State Manager A. S. Bradshaw, of Little Rock, Ark., was present at this meeting. One new candidate was taken in.

The School Board, the teachers and the pupils wish to thank those of our people who gave trees, shrubs, etc., that were placed on the grounds of the grade school on Arbor day. The Standard trusts the children at the school will give these shrubs every care in order to beautify the barren grounds.

For the last two years the Sikeston School has used the muscular movement system of writing. The teachers and pupils are trying to correct the condition which led to the criticism that "our young people cannot write". The pupils of our school have received the following awards: the Improvement Certificate, which is the third available, Lela and Vivian Hargrave; the second award the Progress Pin, Geraldine Maloney and Grace Decker; the first award, Era Belle Jones, James Marshall, Edna Belle Bridges, Walter Weekley, Ross Killgore, Ozella Gossett, Hildreth Dill, Hazel Lumsden, Lola Lydy, Ronald Lee, Jack Baker, Lola Taylor, Kenneth Dye, Elmer Ogilvie, Harold Ward, Ruby Hitt, Louella Miller, Edith Carter, Mildred Arbaugh and Mildred Carter.

J. B. Randol spent Tuesday in Cairo.

Buy an instrument at Lairs and pay for it by the week.

Geo. Dempster spent Tuesday at Cairo, on business.

Jack Lair of Charleston is now located with the Lair Company in this city.

LOST—Female Pointer, white with liver spots. Finder call 159 and receive reward.

Used Victrola console taken as part pay on Edison recently, may be had at very low cost on easy terms. See us.—Lairs.

G. W. Layton of Vanduser was a business visitor here, Tuesday.

Garden Seed at Farmers Supply Hardware. A Big Package 5c.

Mrs. A. B. Hunter of New Madrid spent Wednesday here, shopping.

S. B. Hardwick returned Wednesday night from a business trip to Dallas, Texas.

Lige Inman was the purchaser of an Edison console from the Lair Music Co., this week.

Needle-type phonograph in good playing order, mahogany case, has been completely overhauled. Only \$65.00.—Lairs.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Last Friday night, at the High School auditorium, the pleasing operetta, "The Wedding of the Daisy and the Buttercup", was presented by the pupils of the first, second and third grades, to a very large and appreciative audience. Misses Gladys Loud and Esther Knott and Mrs. J. M. Massengill, the teacher of these grades, directed the operetta. Miss Loud accompanied at the piano. The following is the program of the operetta:

Scene: A meadow, with wild flowers.

Time: Early morning to full day. Argument.

Desiring that the wedding of their favorites, Daisy and Buttercup, should be celebrated amidst the prettiest possible surroundings, the Breezes send forth, on the morning of the wedding, a tender message to all other Flowers, asking them to be present at the ceremony, and thus make the scene one of special loveliness.

Their invocation is overheard by the Butterflies, Bees, Birds, who, each in his turn, express love for the Daisy her Bridegroom, and their wish to be allowed to join the assembly. This being proudly and gladly granted, the result is that the wedding takes place under circumstances the beauties and delights of which have never been surpassed in the annals of Flowerland.

Overture.

Chorus—"Awake, Awake".

Song—"Red Admiral". Edna Shainberg.

Recitative—"Stirring Breeze and Red Admiral". Marjorie Jones, Esther Shainberg.

Song—"Bumble Bee"—Dick Waters.

Choral Valse

Dance of the Breezes

Song—"Redpole". Leland Moreland.

Air—"Stirring Breeze and Redpole". Marjorie Jones.

Recitation—"Stirring Breeze". Marjorie Jones.

Choral March

Floral Wedding March

Air—"Hare Bell"—Beulah Jones.

Chorus.

Chorus with solo—"Wild Rose". Lennie Smimons.

Song and chorus—"Lilly". Lehman Finch.

Duet—"Daisy and Buttercup". Elizabeth Richards.

Elizabeth Richards and Eugene Roush.

Final chorus and dance.

Elaborate crepe paper costumes, appropriate to each character, added much to the acclaimed success of the performance. The young folks performed remarkably well, and this was the initial appearance before the footlights for a large number.

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the Sikeston Trust Company at Sikeston, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 31st day of March, 1924.

Resources	
Loans undoubtedly good on collateral security	\$198,291.06
Loans undoubtedly good on real estate security	500.00
Other negotiable and non-negotiable paper and investment securities at present value	000.00
Overdrafts by solvent customers	000.00
Bonds at present value	000.00
Stocks at present value	000.00
Real estate (Company's office building) at present value	000.00
Other real estate at its present value	5,000.00
Furniture and fixtures (including safety deposit vaults)	2,035.00
Due from other trust companies and banks, good on sight draft	73,158.70
Checks and other cash items	981.83
Cash on hand (currency, gold, silver and other coin)	9,978.81
Equity in Real Estate	32,507.03
Total	\$322,452.43

Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	4,104.52
Deposits subject to draft at sight by trust companies, bank and bankers	2,916.88
Deposits subject to draft at sight by individuals and others, including demand certificates of deposit	207,297.28
Time certificates of deposit	31,229.43
Demand certificates of deposit and Treasurer's check	2,120.32
Savings deposits	14,784.00
Bills payable and rediscounts	000.00
All other liabilities	000.00
Total	\$322,452.43

State of Missouri, County of Scott.

We, G. B. Greer, president and L. M. Stallcup, secretary of the Sikeston Trust Company do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. B. GREER, President.

L. M. STALLCUP, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-four. Witness my hand and notarial seal the date last aforesaid.

(SEAL) said. (Commission and qualified for a term expiring September 13, 1927).

Geo. W. Pearson, Notary Public.

R. L. CALVIN

JAS. M. KLEIN

S. W. APPLIGATE

Directors.

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the Peoples Bank of Sikeston, at Sikeston, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 31st day of March, 1924, published in The Sikeston Standard, a newspaper, printed and published at Sikeston, State of Missouri, on the 11th day of April, 1924.

Resources	
Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral	\$217,228.11
Loans, real estate	35,180.76
Overdrafts	49.91
Bonds	000.00
Stocks	000.00
Real estate (banking house)	19,093.93
Other real estate	7,687.72
Furniture and fixtures	635.75
Due from other banks and bankers subject to check	33,225.88
Cash items	540.94
Cash on hand (currency, gold, silver and other coin)	3,589.24
Total	\$322,232.24

Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	40,000.00
Undivided profits, net	3,544.76
Due to banks and bankers subject to check	000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	167,560.26
Time certificates of deposit	25,494.94
Demand certificates of deposit and cashier's checks	000.00
Savings deposits	5,433.89
Bills payable and rediscounts	30,000.00
Other liabilities (please itemize)	000.00
Reserve for Taxes	198.39
Total	\$322,232.24

State of Missouri, County of Scott.

We, F. M. Sikes, as president, and R. F. Anderson, as cashier, of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

F. M. SIKES, President.

R. F. ANDERSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of April, A. D. nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

WITNESS my hand and notarial (SEAL) seal on the date last aforesaid. (Commission and qualified for a term expiring June 8, 1924.)

A. A. Harrison, Notary Public.

Correct-Attest:

WM. S. SMITH

A. C. SIKES

C. S. TANNER

Directors.

Strawberry Plants For Sale

Selected and from best varieties for this section. Phone 246, 2t.

Paul Handy Moore, of Charleston spent Wednesday in Sikeston looking after the interest of the new building he is having erected on Malone avenue.

The W. C. T. U. appointed the following ladies to serve on a committee to assist in beautifying the school grounds: Mrs. J. L. Tanner, Mrs. W. H. Tanner and Mrs. Edgar Lehman, on Arbor Day, April 2nd. The following made talks: Harry C. Blanton, 7th and 8th grades; Rev. S. P. Brite, 6th grade; C. F. Bruton, 4th and 5th grades; Mrs. Pearl Watkins, 3rd grade; Mrs. J. C. Foster, 1st and 2nd grades, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Tanner. Rev. Walker made a talk to the 1st and 2nd grades at the High School. Mrs. M. J. Thomas, President of the W. C. T. U., assisted by Mrs. Maude Stubbs, entertained the children by telling some bird stories. These talks were followed by work on Friday. The children worked like beavers planting trees, roses, bulbs, shrubs and hedges.

Forget Politics While You Read This

Every woman who loves her children and her country will find much to interest her in a pamphlet being distributed by the National Democratic Committee at Washington. It is called, "The Lands Ye Possess", and is intended to create a widespread interest in the administration of the public domain, the common possession of all the people. Stripped of its partisan bias—it is a pity that all political ink has so much mud in it—the pamphlet is a valuable one for any voter, no matter what her, or his, party preferences may be. It tells the story of the wasting of our national resources, the robbing of future generations for the sake of the piling up of monumental fortunes in the hands of a few in this generation and the one just past. As these things are reviewed the reader's amazement is swallowed up in anger, and anger turns to shame as the impotence of the individual is realized. And if there is such a thing as righteous indignation, that must be what one feels when turning from the recital of these facts concerning our national improvidence to the oil scandal in Washington. Because we feel that this kind of indignation is good for every one occasionally—and at the risk of bankrupting the Democratic National Committee—we suggest that every woman who has a right to go to the ballotbox in November should send for a copy of the pamphlet.

But before you get your copy, here are some things that it suggests for women to do if they "want to see what remains of the public domain conserved for the use of homebuilders in this and other generations". Good Housekeeping, mindful of the ease with which money seems to have changed hands at Washington, hopes that every one of its readers will:

1. Insist by voice and vote that the natural resources of our country shall from now on be disposed of for the common good of all and not for the private gains of a few.
2. Emphasize the fact that the livelihood of the man of small means is at least equal in importance to the profit of the man of big means.
3. Oppose everywhere and at all times the useless waste of our resources at the cost of our children's future.
4. Remember that in the year 2000 (only two or three generations away) this country may be called on to support a population of 250,000,000; that as population goes up, resources go down; and that if active and immediate steps toward continued conservation are not taken our children and our grandchildren will inevitably be reduced to lower standards of living.
5. Call public attention to the urgency of time in any precautionary measures taken, and to the fact that in some cases it is almost too late to undo the evil that has been done.
6. Exact, as far as possible, equality of opportunity for all in the benefits derived from our public wealth, and denounce monopoly and special privilege, which have already lapped the cream of the country's wealth, leaving at the best comparatively skimmed milk for the rest of us.
7. Hold every public officer responsible for any part of the conservation of national resources of the

country as a trustee of the public property. And—

8. Oppose the election or appointment to such office of any one who fails to give full assurance to the people that he regards his office as an opportunity to serve the public, not himself.

HOLY WEEK

Rectory of St. Francis Xavier, Sikeston, Mo.

PALM SUNDAY

Blessing and distribution of Palms, commemorating the reception accorded the Divine Redeemer upon His entrance into the Holy City.

WEDNESDAY

Confessions will be heard in the afternoon and evening.

HOLY THURSDAY

On this day we celebrate the Institution of the Blessed Eucharist. Communion may be received at 6:30. Mass will be celebrated at 7:30, followed by a procession.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day until eight p. m. Every one is expected to spend at least an hour before the Blessed Sacrament in atonement for the sins of the world and in gratitude for the blessings they have received during the year.

GOOD FRIDAY

Services will commence at 7:00 a. m., followed by Mass of the Presanctified.

Tre Ore, or The Three Hours services commemorating the Three Hours spent by Our Divine Redeemer dying on the Cross for the sins of the world, be conducted by Rev. F. H. Skaer of St. Louis. In the evening at 7:30, he will also deliver the sermon on the Passion of Our Divine Lord.

Every Catholic is urged to absent himself from worldly affairs during the period of the Three Hours, if possible, and attend the service at church.

HOLY SATURDAY

Services will commence at 7 a. m. and will consist of various blessings, including that of the Baptismal and Easter Water, the new fire and the Paschal Candle. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00.

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses will be celebrated at 7:30 and 9:30. The second, will be a High Mass. This is a General Communion Day for the parish.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, MARKET REPORT

(Courtesy Toof & Toof)			
CHICAGO CLOSE GRAIN			
	Wheat	Corn	Oats
May	102	76 1/2	46 1/2
July	103 1/2	78 1/2	43 1/2
September	104 1/2	78 1/2	40 1/2
Chicago hogs	rects.	24,000	Tone
steady Tops			7.50
St. Louis hogs	rects.	10,000	Tone
steady Tops			7.50
ST. LOUIS CASH GRAIN			
3 red wheat			110
3 mixed corn			75-76
4 mixed corn			74
2 yellow corn			81
3 yellow corn			77 1/2-79
3 white corn			77 1/2-78
4 white corn			76
Yellow cob			82
2 white oats			50 1/2
3 white oats			49 1/2
NEW YORK COTTON CLOSE			
May			31.27
July			29.67
October			25.63
December			25.05
N. Y. Spots up 25			31.65
N. O. Spots up 25			31.75

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HAVE YOU TRIED ELECTRIK---MAID PRODUCTS?

Musical Instruments

A shipment of small goods came in this week and may be found in our showcases. Included in the shipment are several violins at very attractive prices—the kind for beginners, some guitars, banjo-ukies, ukuleles, harps of all kinds and descriptions, strings and accessories for all instruments, in fact, there's plenty of these small items here to give you what you want. Try us.

We have two large racks loaded to the brim with new piano rolls. There is no reason why you shouldn't knock some of the dust off the keys of your piano and try a few of these late hits. You'll like them.

There seems to be a growing demand for the latest hits on the needle-type records. We find new customers in our store every day and they can't resist, when they hear those TED LEWIS hits on the Columbia records. You'll fall for these Fox Trots, sure as you're born.

A NEW GULBRANSEN straight piano at \$275.00 can't be beat for the price. We have them in oak or mahogany. Trade your phonograph in as part pay. Easy terms on the balance.

GULBRANSEN PLAYER-PIANOS at \$420.00 and \$495.00. Price burned into the back of every one of them at the factory. EASY TO PLAY—that's the trademark. EASY TO PAY for—that's a fact.

Edison phonographs in any model are now ready for delivery. Take your choice and we'll arrange the terms to suit. Late records all the time.

The Lair Company



We Make Your Clothes as Clean as a New Born Chick

Hard to tell the difference from a new garment if it's dry cleaned by us. We have special equipment to clean dresses and other garments of delicate fabrics. You need have no fear in sending your garments here.

Phone 223
Sikeston Cleaning & Tailoring Co.

Allen County, O., has three women Constables.

FOR SALE—Majestic range, Moore's air-tight heater, and kitchen cabinet. Practically new. See Fred Schorle at Schorle's Bakery.

The W. C. T. U. met Wednesday in the ladies parlor of the Methodist Church and studied the constitution of the United States.

Mrs. V. M. Law and babe, who are visiting her mother, Mrs. John Fox, spent Tuesday at Bertrand with her grandparents, Mr. and Ms. David Lewis.

Gordon Blanton wishes to notify his customers that he will have a substitute with his Saturday Evening Posts, while he is laid out with the measles.

Mrs. R. A. Moll and children, of Tamms, Ill., who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, returned to their home, Thursday afternoon.

Used Edison—official laboratory model—sells at \$295.00 new. This instrument is as good as the day it left the factory. We guarantee it in every way. Price now \$190.00.—Lairs.

During the week Derris the Drug-gist has sold the following persons Victrolas with quantities of records: D. C. Harris, Irene Wheeler, J. V. Parker, Della and Ella Harper, all of Sikeston.

The two-story residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, on Kingshighway, 12 miles south of town, was destroyed by fire Tuesday evening. Practically all household goods were saved. Their year's supply of meat in the basement was destroyed.

More than one-third of the men formerly employed as county agricultural agents in New York are now successful farmers, according to a recent survey made in that State, the results of which have been reported to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Joe Finnmore of Bertrand spent Tuesday evening in Sikeston.

FOR RENT—4 unfurnished rooms. 3 on first floor.—Rev. Walker, 837 Park Ave.

Miss Violet Benson, who is a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary, Cairo, is improving nicely.

Miss Viva Gay, Clyde and Stanley Jenkins of Charleston, attended the show at Malone Theatre Tuesday night.

Story and Clark used straight piano, dandy for beginners, has a wonderful tone. Special at \$125.00.—Lairs.

Miss Helen Chapman and Tom Byrd of Charleston attended the American Legion dance here, Tuesday evening.

Miss Bailey Westbrook, who has been the guest of Mrs. Winifred, returned to her home at Memphis, Wednesday.

The American Legion dance given Tuesday evening was the second successful dance given by the Legion this season. The dance was well attended, several out-of-town people being present. The music was furnished by the famous Edna Deal's Southern Syncopated Band of Clarksdale, Mississippi.

The Woman's Club held their regular meeting in the City Hall Tuesday afternoon with about twenty members present. Mrs. Moore Greer was leader for the afternoon, her subject being Georgian Painters, which she gave in a very interesting manner. After the Club adjourned, Judge Lescher invited the ladies to Dudley's Place, where they enjoyed a treat at his expense.

The Industrial Association meeting that was held Thursday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce rooms the following towns were represented: C. E. Mohrstadt and Ed P. Crowe, Dexter; Wm. R. Schneider, Ernest Reeves and Gaty Pallen, St. Louis. There were also delegations from Caruthersville, Kennett, Cape Girardeau, Poplar Bluff and Charleston. Full details of this meeting will be given in the next issue of The Standard.

EASTER CANDY SHE WILL LIKE



Boxes and Boxes of Whitmore's Chocolates, Bonbons, Candied Fruits and Nut Dainties from which you may choose the assortment which she likes best.

Our usual guarantee of satisfaction assures you that the quality will be of the highest.

Dudley's
Confectionery
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Mrs. Tackett of Oran was the guest of Misses Marie and Blanche Swan-agon, Tuesday.

The girls' cooking contest will be held at the high school Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock. Prizes will be awarded to the girls for the best cake, biscuits, and corn bread.

The annual Easter bazaar of the Christian Church will be held on April 19th. Anyone wishing Easter eggs phone 387.

Mrs. Mae Hawkins, who was taken to the St. Mary's Infirmary, at Cairo for an operation last Wednesday, is getting along nicely.

Methodist Church

Sunday, April 13th

Judge Frank Kelly
will talk to the Men's Class.

You are invited to be present.

MUSIC BY QUARTET

Ralph Anderson
Bill Sikes
Harry Dover
Clay Stubbs

Accompanist:---Jean Hirschberg

MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF APRIL 7
Nights 7:15 O'clock

Monday and Tuesday



William de Mille
PRODUCTION
WITH
RICHARD DIX, LOIS WILSON

MONDAY AND TUESDAY
RICHARD DIX & LOIS WILSON in
"ICEBOUND"

A William de Mille production
The best judges in the land awarded the Pulitzer prize for the greatest American play to "ICEBOUND". Of hundreds of plays, it ranked first. Imagine this gem on the screen. With its drama-filled story of "Icebound" hearts struggling for sunshine. And the genius of De Mille to give it soul. Also Comedy—"RAINSTORM" & NEWS. Adm. 15c & 35c
Matinee Monday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Adm. 10c and 30c

WEDNESDAY
POLA NEGRI in
"MONTMARTRE"

A Paramount picture just finished a week's run in Missouri Theatre, St. Louis.

Also NEWS Adm. 10c and 20c
THURSDAY
WILLIAM RUSSELL in
"WHEN ODDS ARE EVEN"

Also "FIGHTING BLOOD" No. 6
Admission 10c and 20c

FRIDAY
BLANCHE SWEET AND WILLIAM RUSSELL in

"Anna Christie"

The greatest drama in years. As powerful as the play. That's been said of many pictures—but never more truthfully than of "Anna Christie". Blanche Sweet as outcast "Anna Christie", William Russell as big, untamed "Matt Burke", George Mar- 23, 2 and 25 in New Madrid.
On April 24 and 25 a specialist from Aloe's Optical Company will fit glasses.
On April 23 and 24 Doctor Sory, trachoma specialist from United States Public Health Hospital at Rolla, will examine eyes and operate when necessary.
On April 25, Dr. W. E. Yount, of Cape Girardeau, will remove tonsils and adenoids.
Anyone desiring treatment at any of these clinics is asked to consult his or her family physician or the New Madrid County Health Dept.
The Shriner's Hospital in St. Louis has notified the New Madrid County Health Department to register all crippled children who can be improved by operation or treatment. We ask all children who wish to take advantage of this opportunity, to report to Dr. O'Bannon, New Madrid County Health Unit, for classification and registration, and they will be notified and admitted to this hospital in their turn.
Mr. and Mrs. Max Kauffman of Parma visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Manheimer last Sunday.
The following were guests at the M. Frank home last Sunday: Mrs. R. Brenner and little daughter, of Clarksville, Tenn.; Mrs. H. Wolfson and little daughter Jeannette of Puxico, Mrs. Max Friedman of Clarksville, Miss., daughters of M. Frank; J. M. Folkoff and family of East Prairie, Mr. Barkovitz and fam-

Also "WAY OF A MAN" No. 6
Admission Night 15c and 25c.
Matinee 10c and 20c

SATURDAY
BERT LYTELL, BLANCHE SWEET
and BRYANT WASHBURN in

"The Meanest Man in the World"

from George H. Cohan's stage production—couldn't be better—couldn't be funnier. C'mon you Mean Man—smile. But he wouldn't—no he could not 'till Cupid taught him how. Come have the laugh on him—come—share a thrill with him—you'll love him.
Also "WAY OF A MAN" No. 6
Admission Night 15c and 25c.
Matinee 10c and 20c

COMING—"THE FIGHTING COWARD". Is the greatest romantic love story since "THE BIRTH OF A NATION NO. 2"

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch and Prof. Woodward were Cape Girardeau visitors last Saturday.

Sunday School Convention will be held at Libbourn Monday and Tuesday, April 14 and 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse M. Miles spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

Mesdames Jas. A. Finch, Fannie Fine and A. M. Shaw, Jr., were Sikeston visitors, Monday.

Miss Edith Pharris of Libbourn was the guest of Miss Eloise Mathewson Monday evening.

Rev. Yeager and family of St. Joseph arrived in our city Friday and are at present at the Sample Hotel. Rev. Yeager will supply the pulpit of the M. E. Church, recently vacated by Rev. W. A. Humphreys.

Rev. Geo. L. Washburn, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, left Tuesday for Charleston to attend a meeting of the Potosi Presbytery, which convened in that city Tuesday.

The Presbyterian Ladies Auxillary held a business meeting at the church last Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of selecting a delegate to the Presbyterial at Malden Tuesday, April 22. Mrs. R. L. Simmons will represent the Auxillary and Mrs. H. G. Sharp will accompany her.

A State vase vs. Wm. Marr (Big Irish), charge of grand larceny, a change of venue from New Madrid county to Pemiscot County, was tried at Caruthersville last week, resulting in a disagreed jury.

Mrs. A. F. Stanley and Mrs. Taylor of Morehouse were in New Madrid Monday in the interest of a play to be given Thursday night at the Dixie Theatre, "An Old-Fashioned Mother".

The Women's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church held their bi-monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. M. Shaw, Jr., last Thursday afternoon on North Main. A very interesting program of readings by the following were greatly enjoyed: Readings by Mesdames W. T. Royer, H. H. Lipe and A. T. Henry. A short conversational dialogue by Mrs. Jno. Riley and Miss Florence Finch. Two readings by Masters Lehman Finch and Sam Lewis Fine. Dainty refreshments of brick ice cream, cake and coffee were served.

The preliminary hearing of Bill Meatte, who shot and killed Olin Penninger on Little River, near Marston last Friday, was held at the Court House, Saturday, before Justice of the Peace, R. L. Terry. Two of the State's witnesses were examined and the evidence being such that the defendant was bound over to Circuit Court, May Term, on bond of \$20,000, which he was able to give. The killing was the result of disturbance over the missing of five gallons of white mule. Attorneys for the State were J. M. Massengill and Tom Gallivan of this city and Slean Oliver of Caruthersville was the Attorney for the defendant.

Mrs. W. H. Hampton and son, S. W. Hampton and daughter, Miss Jennie, were guests of Chas. Hampton and family last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Elsie Smart was a guest of Miss Hyacinth Sheppard of Sikeston last Saturday and Sunday.

A clinic for eyes, tonsils and adenoids will be held by the New Madrid County Health Department in co-operation with the New Madrid County Medical Society on April 22, 23, 2 and 25 in New Madrid.

On April 24 and 25 a specialist from Aloe's Optical Company will fit glasses.
On April 23 and 24 Doctor Sory, trachoma specialist from United States Public Health Hospital at Rolla, will examine eyes and operate when necessary.
On April 25, Dr. W. E. Yount, of Cape Girardeau, will remove tonsils and adenoids.

Anyone desiring treatment at any of these clinics is asked to consult his or her family physician or the New Madrid County Health Dept.

The Shriner's Hospital in St. Louis has notified the New Madrid County Health Department to register all crippled children who can be improved by operation or treatment. We ask all children who wish to take advantage of this opportunity, to report to Dr. O'Bannon, New Madrid County Health Unit, for classification and registration, and they will be notified and admitted to this hospital in their turn.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Kauffman of Parma visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Manheimer last Sunday.

The following were guests at the M. Frank home last Sunday: Mrs. R. Brenner and little daughter, of Clarksville, Tenn.; Mrs. H. Wolfson and little daughter Jeannette of Puxico, Mrs. Max Friedman of Clarksville, Miss., daughters of M. Frank; J. M. Folkoff and family of East Prairie, Mr. Barkovitz and fam-

ily of Portageville and Mrs. I. Kohn of Hayti.

D. J. Keller of Cape Girardeau was in New Madrid Monday on business. O. E. McGee, State School Inspector, one of the Superintendent's office Jefferson City, is in New Madrid County this week and will visit the most of the rural schools.

H. E. Tomlinson and Harry Kirkbride of Malden attended Board of Equalization in New Madrid Monday. J. R. Grabenhorst and Walter Moore of Canalou attended Board of Equalization in our city, Monday.

Mrs. P. J. Stearns and children of Libbourn spent Monday in New Madrid.

E. Dunlap, Chas. P. Fisher and T. E. Page of Clarkton attended Board of Equalization in New Madrid, Monday.

M. I. Schmucke, Sam Harris and M. V. Mumma of Gideon attended Board of Equalization in New Madrid Monday.

Dud Baker and several other Revenue men of St. Louis visited the white mule districts of New Madrid last Thursday and disposed of liquor at the following places: Dolph Smith, Hattie Ward, Jesse Phelan and Bill Masterson, who are placed under \$1,000 bond for their appearance at Federal Court at Cape Girardeau this month.

J. H. Holtermann of Libbourn was looking after business matters in New Madrid Monday.

Mrs. Mary Hamilton has accepted a position in the mercantile store of L. Shainberg, in this city.

Attorney E. F. Sharp and C. M. Barnes of Marston attended County Court in New Madrid last Monday.

Mrs. R. Breuer of Clarksville, Tenn., Mrs. Max Friedman of Clarksville, Miss., and Mrs. H. Wolfson of Puxico, who have been visiting their father and brothers, M. Frankle and sons of this city, left for their respective homes, Tuesday.

Miss Linda Stewart returned home Saturday, after a two weeks' stay with her sister, Mrs. T. A. Lee and family at Portageville.

T. A. Lee of Portageville was a business visitor at New Madrid, Monday.

VATICAN DENIES POPE WILL LEAVE DOMAIN

Rome, April 7.—The Vatican today officially denied that the Pope intended to go outside of the Vatican limits. There are positive indications that the Pontiff will be present at the dedication of the Knights of Columbus' welfare building on Wednesday, but it is alleged that this building is on Vatican property and can be reached through the right wing of St. Peter's by passing through the sacristy.

While the Knights of Columbus Building is owned by the Vatican, it is not considered technically inside the territory assigned to the Vatican, and if the Pope attends the dedication ceremonies, it will certainly mark the farthest step any Pope has taken since 1870 beyond the narrow limits of St. Peter's. One Pope has proceeded as far as the Church of Santa Marta, which is the extreme limit reached.

In attending the Knights of Columbus dedication the Pope will have to traverse the basilica, enter the sacristy and then proceed through the Church of Santa Marta, to the welfare building, all of these edifices being contiguous. A special entrance has been cut through, so that the Pontiff can pass into various buildings without setting foot on other than Vatican property.

It is the Vatican's contention that Pope Pius would not go beyond the limits of his present temporal domain, and it was clearly indicated today that any interpretation which would signify the Pontiff's departure from the limits set by the law of guarantees would be unequivocally denied.

Cardinals Hayes and Mundelein today were tendered a reception at St. Joseph's College. Both the American prelates expressed themselves as highly pleased with the function.

Moving picture showing charity work in the New York diocese were shown.

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ROAD FINANCE REFERENDUM PUT UP TO BARRETT

St. Louis, April 8.—Final determination by the State Highway Commission of recommendations it will make regarding proposed initiative measures to speed up the road-building program awaits an opinion by Attorney-General Barrett on questions recently submitted to him, members of the commission said at a regular meeting here yesterday.

Three methods of increasing road revenues have been suggested, as has been told. They provide for a 50 per cent increase in automobile license fees, a 2-cent-a-gallon tax on gasoline and sale of the balance of the \$60,000,000 road bond issue at the rate of \$15,000,000 a year. Thus far, \$15,000,000, in bonds have been issued.

The Attorney-General has been asked whether the methods suggested may all be submitted by a single initiative proposal, whether the bond issue increase must be separated from the increased auto fees and gasoline tax, or whether three separate initiative proposals would be required.

Work of circulating initiative petitions for signatures would be greatly increased if three proposals are held to be necessary.

It will be recalled Gov. Hyde recently said he favored submission of the gasoline tax and bond increase proposals at the November election, but recommended dropping the license increase suggestion for the present and submitting it to the next Legislature, which convenes in January, 1925.

B. H. Piepmeier, chief engineer of the commission, said yesterday the Attorney-General had not indicated when the opinion would be rendered. There is little precedent upon which to base an opinion, Piepmeier said, thus necessitating extended search of authorities.

Highway commission experts have pointed out that with revenue in sight road maintenance can be kept up and sinking fund requirements for outstanding bonds met in 1925, but no roads can be constructed that year unless more funds are provided. The State is authorized to sell \$10,000,000 in road bonds this year, but none in 1925, under present law.

Additional revenue derived from the proposed gasoline tax and increase license fee not only would permit completion of the \$60,000,000 bond issue program by the end of 1927, it has been said, but would enable the department to complete the remainder of the State highway system without additional bond issues, within a few years after that date.

The State Highway system includes 7640 miles of road. The \$60,000,000 bond issue will cover construction of only a part of the system.

The Highway Commission yesterday approved road construction contracts aggregating \$953,999. The total is divided according to type of work as follows: Surfacing primary roads, \$239,808; grading and bridging secondary roads, \$231,499. Contracts call for surfacing of 9.89 miles of primary roads; and surfacing of 35.80 miles of secondary roads.

Primary roads to be surfaced are all in Nodaway County. Primary roads to be graded and bridged are in Howard County. Contracts provide for surfacing of small sections of secondary roads in Greene, Jefferson, Lincoln, Maries, Miller, Pulaski, Scott, Stoddard, Ste. Genevieve, Sullivan and Gentry counties. Grading and bridge work on secondary roads is authorized in McDonald, Montgomery, Pulaski, Saline, Worth and Wright counties.

POLA NEGRI IN "MONTMARTRE" MALONE THEATRE PROGRAM

Pola Negri, in her latest Parisian romance, "Montmartre", is presented as the photoplay attraction at the Malone Theatre Wednesday. She was directed by Ernest Lubitsch, who has such pictures as "Passion", "The Marriage Circle" and "Rosita" to his credit.

The Montmartre district of Paris is recreated on a magnificent scale. Pola Negri has the role in this picture of Yvette, the dancing idol of Montmartre, a girl who spends her nights dancing gayly at the cafes. A young composer falls in love with her. His cousin meets her and desires her for himself. The composer is a virtuous, high-minded man, but dependent upon his mother's money for his music studies, which he hopes will make him famous. The cousin is a roue. Pola falls for the composer, but the cousin tells her lover that she is a bad woman—a café grisette. The composers' mother forbids her son to have anything to do with Pola. Nevertheless, he marries her secretly. The remainder of the story is of intense dramatic value with a sprinkling of thrills and comedy.

P. H. Stevens, who is connected with the State Highway office, is on the sick list this week.

Floyd E. Jacobs, of Kansas City, former prosecuting attorney of Jackson County, filed in the office of the Secretary of State official declaration of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the governorship. Jacobs has been making an active campaign for several months and has visited more than two-thirds of the counties of the State. He announced his candidacy two months ago. He is the fourth gubernatorial candidate to file.

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TWO AMERICAN GIRLS AT OXFORD, ENGLAND

The following story was written by Miss Bennie Stone and Mrs. Kathleen Powell, nieces of the editor of The Standard, who are taking a course at Oxford University, England. Miss Stone is a teacher in the Wisconsin State Normal, while Mrs. Powell is the wife of Rev. Powell, a graduate of the Louisville Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.:

Oxford, England, March 22.—Any one who is at all skeptical regarding the great differences in English and American life would certainly be convinced after a little experience in English shops. The quaint outward appearance of these shops, with their projecting upper stories and their sharp gables, suggests at once that one is in a foreign land. The signs on the windows and over the doors have a foreign air, too. In every block one sees once or often "Hall's Ales and Stouts", or "Morrell's Ales and Stouts", or even "Finest Whiskies and Brandies". Truly these are not American. Now and then one sees the sign "Chemist"; at intervals, "Silversmith"; then perhaps "Draper", "Ironmonger", "Hairdresser". We haven't seen the ward "barber" in England. One sign which occurs with surprising frequency is this: "Optician to the Eye-Hospital". It appears that all Oxford opticians have attained to this eminence. One more must be mentioned, one which when we first came had a fearful fascination for us: "Funerals furnished. Special rates for children". Then, too, the way Oxford merchants display their goods is different. Shopkeepers either remove most of the front of their shops, making the places look like open booths, or carry a large part of their wares outside and arrange them on benches or on the walk. In front of any ironmonger's is always a motley array of dishes, kitchen utensils, coal scuttles, clothes baskets, spades and various kinds of brushes. After hunting all over town for a flour sifter last September, we finally found one accidentally among the collection of stuff on the walk in front of one of these stores. Along any business street one can see shelves and cabinets outside the stores for an interested person to examine at leisure; upholstered chairs and other pieces of furniture sitting out on the walk; great trays and tables loaded with fresh vegetables, fruits and nuts; and even boots and shoes hanging in long chains outside the doors and windows. The butcher shops, however, are the most amazing sights. They combine the booth idea and the outside decoration idea. Hanging from hooks at the top of the great opening in front are always several whole hogs; on a bench outside are huge blocks of fresh meat, interspersed here and there with ox tongues, dripping hearts, and pale smooth calves' heads. Whenever it is not possible for a merchant to display his goods in the above manner, dry goods and jewelry, for example, he does his best to crowd his entire stock into his windows for the passer-by to inspect. The result can be imagined. The idea here seems to be that customers will not come in unless they

have already seen that the shop contains what they want. I have never seen anything in the United States approaching the appearance of Cowley Road and the high, except in the foreign quarters of some of our great cities. Here it looks as if a perpetual street fair were in progress.

It is equally surprising to go along these streets on Sunday. Then not only are the shops closed, but the fronts are barred and shuttered until nothing is left visible to tempt the thoughts of the passer-by to worldly things. Many of them are encased behind heavy wooden shutters which roll down from above like the top of a business man's desk. Others are protected by high heavy iron grating, through which one can see the dark blinds which have been drawn severely over the windows. In Oxford Sunday closing is a stern reality; it is difficult for a stranger to find open even a place where he can get a meal.

The actual difficulties which confront the American who goes marketing or shopping in England are not inconsiderable. The first one, which I can only mention, is the speech of the English tradesman. One feels helpless before the rapid fire of what seems a foreign language. Add to this a large number of strange terms for familiar articles: biscuits for cookies and cakes, reel of cotton for spool of thread, goshaws for any kind of rubbers, serviettes for napkins, quilt for bedspread, and an entirely new vocabulary for materials in a dry goods store. I quote below from a sheet of explanations enclosed in a Pictorial Review pattern:

Broadcloth, meaning habit-cloth; calico, meaning print; canton crepe, meaning crepe morocaine; muslin, meaning calico; child's apron, meaning pinafore; child's underwaist, meaning stays; housedress, meaning overall; suit, meaning costume; bastion meaning tacking; cut on bias, meaning cut on cross of material; luncheon sets, meaning table mats.

We have quite given up the idea of buying any ready-made clothes in Oxford, because only a stock size is kept, even in the best stores; and this is at least a 42 or 44. They say that large sizes can be cut down, but that nothing can be done with a small costume! They have dressmaking establishments in connection with their ready-to-wear departments, and will copy anything for one; but the cut of the clothes one sees on the streets is not such as to inspire confidence in English tailoring.

Buying clothes, however, is no more of a problem than buying shoes. Shoes are made in only one width, corresponding to "C" as nearly as we can estimate. It is obvious what kind of a fit a person with a narrow foot gets. No amount of thought about the excellent leather and good workmanship quite reconciles one to such shoes.

One of the greatest difficulties which Oxford markets have for an American is that the food displays are in so many ways different from what one sees at home. Of course one can get potatoes, and there are always carrots, turnips, dried onions, beets and lettuce. There seems to be a surplus of things belonging to the cabbage family; in addition to ordinary cabbage, there are cauliflower, brussels sprouts, savoy, and something which is a cross between turnip tops and cabbage. Marrow is a great favorite here, a sort of small watery squash. But many of the "tinned" foods to which we are accustomed cannot be bought here at all: canned corn is almost unknown, (they think corn is eaten only by horses); canned green beans can't be got; and they tried to make us take oleomargarine when we once asked for peanut butter. Many of the fresh vegetables which the markets in our larger American towns carry all the year around, we have never seen here: radishes, young onions, green peppers, peas. One can always get tomatoes, but as they are home grown, they are very small.

Then the English butcher cuts his meat so differently from the American one that the American housewife in Oxford is completely bewildered. Nothing looks familiar but pork chops and liver. To our great surprise, we have found oysters scarce and very expensive—about 75 cents for a dozen small ones. I don't mean to give the impression that English markets are inferior to ours; I only mean to say that their foods are sufficiently different from ours that until the American gets accustomed to them he is likely to feel greatly limited in his choice. One soon begins to appreciate the excellent assortment of fish, brought in fresh every day, and displayed most attractively, great white cuts of halibut and cod, beautiful light red cuts of salmon, flat white plaice, yellow herring and kipper and here and there a bright red lobster. Oxford poulterers, too, have unusual displays, rabbits, chickens, ducks, tur-

keys, geese and pheasants and part-ridges in abundance. Apparently wild game is very plentiful. There is far more to choose from here in fish and poultry than in our middle western towns. And such handsome cheese as one sees here, and such a quantity and variety of them! Certainly there is no lack of good food. Perhaps one ought at this point to refer to the whiskies, brandies, wines, etc., which are displayed so abundantly, and which form quite as essential a part of the Englishman's diet as beef and cheese.

The number of places one must visit in order to buy what he wants seems an inconvenience to the American. In any American city of 60,000 people (Oxford's size) are excellent stores where meat, milk, bread and all sorts of fresh vegetables and fruits can be bought, as well as flour, butter and other staples. But in Oxford only butchers sell meat; poultry and fish are handled by poulterers and fish mongers, respectively; one must buy milk from a dairyman; it is necessary to go to the baker's for bread and there are "green grocers" to supply fresh vegetables and fruit. This necessitates the expenditure of much time and energy on the part of the housewife, as you will realize fully when you consider that no one here has telephones (except hotels and a very few of the leading business houses.) The merchants send a man around three times a week to take orders, but even that does not take the place of a telephone. To be sure, there is an extensive public market in the heart of the town, where there are booths with every sort of commodity. Though this is an ancient institution here, as in all other English towns, and is extensively patronized, it is too far away for the average woman to do all her buying there. The department store idea has now penetrated into Oxford, though there are woolens shops, linen stores, costumers, umbrella shops, and bazaars for notions, still one can buy all these things and many more in the big store.

One of the hardest things for an American to accustom himself to is the utter lack of sanitation. Food is exposed with no regard for flies or dust. Screens and ice-chests are equally unknown. We have been told by reliable people that foods are displayed during the summer exactly as we have seen them since September. Loaves of bread are never wrapped in gilded paper as at home; and the bakery "lorries", though covered over at the top, are open at both ends, so that all the dirt flying about has free access. When one of these trucks stop before your house the driver reaches for his basket, dumps two or three loaves into it, comes to the door, and hands the maid what you want. Milk is distributed in primitive fashion. A big can in the middle of a funny little two-wheeled push cart holds the supply. Ever so often the milkman stops, takes a little cup hanging on the side of his cart, fills a pitcher, and goes from house to house supplying the jars and pans which he finds by his customers' side gates. But the way the meats are exposed is the worst. It is bad enough to have the cuts lying out where they become covered with dust and dirt and where any passing cat and dog may have (and do often have) a sniff, or worse; but what can one think when she sees a butcher stop his work to reach down his dog's throat for a bone ("It might choke him, and he is worth fifty pounds to me, madam"), and then without even wiping his hands on his apron, go on cutting meat!

The hair dressing parlors for both men and women are for the most part positively unclean. Some, of course, are far better than others in this respect, but even the best do nothing to sterilize their combs and brushes. The same thing is true of the dentists; the one to whom we were recommended by our family physician merely wipes off his instruments with a dry cloth before putting them back in the case. There are up-to-date dentists (and usually these have studied in the United States), but they are the exception, if half we hear is true. In the swimming pool here, which does not have running water, the water is changed once a week, and no one is required to have a shower bath before going in. On the whole our cost of living has averaged higher here than in our home land, even though exchange has favored us. Lard has varied from 22 to 24 cents a pound, butter averages 52 cents a pound, eggs went from 50 cents a dozen to \$1.00, and stayed at the higher price for three months. Flour comes only in one-pound and three-pound bags. That seems queer when one usually buys 48-lb. bags at home. The price is half as much again as in the United States. Meat is considerably higher here. Good bread costs 12 cents a loaf compared to 8 or 9 cents at home. Milk dipped out of big containers costs 14 cents a quart, while that bottled for babies is 17 cents. Sugar varies from 13 to

16 cents a pound, and is of the coarsest sort. It is all right for cooking, but seems as much out of place for the table as coarse salt would. Canned fruits are cheaper, but canned vegetables are higher than in the U. S. I think dried vegetables are used much more than canned ones. What a comfort Heinz products prove to the American housewife in England. One gladly pays the increased price. Nuts are the only cheap thing we've found. First class almonds average 12 cents a pound and unusually good English walnuts have not been higher than 20 cents. Pecans are unknown.

When we arrived in England we expected to be dazzled by the low price of woolens. We were soon disillusioned, however. Cold, damp days brought with them the need for woolen underwear. To our sorrow we had to pay for the best brands half as much again as would have been asked in the United States, and we secured for our money ill-fitting garments which will hardly last the season through. In contrast to the high price of underwear is the extremely low price of woolen stockings. Good ones can be bought for 75 cents. Fancy weaves, of course, come higher. For coats, suits and dresses (as well as materials, one pays about the same as in America. Our experience with tailors has been slight, being limited to a suit for 8-year-old Frank. It is made of good French serge, and cost \$24.00. I do not know what home tailor would charge for a suit. Certainly he would see that it fitted better.

Of course, no description of the shops in Oxford would be complete without some mention of the tea-rooms. These are designed for comfort, for tea-time always follows an afternoon of strenuous out-door exercise. There are deep-cushioned divans against the walls, and easy chairs around the tea-tables. People sit about in these cozy places for an hour or so, drinking tea and smoking. From four to six every afternoon all tea-rooms are crowded.

A word must be said, also, about the beautiful flower and fruit stores and booths. This is a great country for flowers, and all the year the flower shops have been gay with bright blossoms. Even in the open-air market there have been cut flowers and potted plants all the time. The number of shoppers who carry a bunch of flowers in one hand is conspicuous. And they cost almost nothing. All through the season beautiful dark blue violets have been offered for two-pence a bunch.

But in years to come the memories I shall cherish of Oxford shops will have to do with the antique shops, picture shops and book shops. The number of these speaks volumes for the taste of the English people. At the antiquaries one finds rare china, real lace, gleaming brass, and period furniture. The picture shops contain lovely etchings and engravings of the places of beauty and interest in Oxford, which tempt on to the wildest sort of extravagance; they have exquisite prints of the world's great paintings, and occasionally they house for a time some art exhibit of note. One James Rogers, "Artist and craftsman in wood", has a little shop on the High, full of exquisite bits of his handiwork. The book shops, however, are the crowning achievement in the Oxford business world. From the outside they present no very unusual appearance; but as soon as one enters he sees that he is in a world of books. From floor to ceiling the walls are lined with books, great stacks in the middle of the room are loaded; and one room leads into another and yet another, with funny little passages connecting them and all full to the brim with books. There is everything in these places from the simple little volumes of the Everyman Press to the elaborately bound products of Cassell. One may browse around among these treasures for hours, without being pressed by a zealous clerk to buy.

Such a consideration of Oxford shops inevitably leads one to certain conclusions regarding the Oxonian. Obviously he is comparatively indifferent to matters of sanitation, to what we consider the ordinary comforts of life, and to matters of dress. Not only is he indifferent to these things, he has a supreme contempt for those materialistic beings who count them important. Isn't it a strange freak of human nature that any people should consider attention to dress beneath their dignity? But the Englishman clearly likes plenty of substantial food and he likes his drink. And last (and of this he is justly proud) he cares much for the amenities of life.

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MISSOURI LEAD MINERS STRIKE

Flat River, Mo., April 8.—The lead belt of St. Francois County is threatened with a suspension of lead ore production for a few days at least. The miners took a vote which resulted in the employees on two shafts refusing to work. The night shifts at shafts 3 and 4 refused to go to work last night. This morning the day shift came to the shafts and spent the entire day on the surface.

Only the miners are striking. All operations at the two shafts where the men are not working have been closed. The employees of the other shafts are scheduled to strike tonight, affecting more than 1000 men. The general cause of the strike is due to the fact that the men are objecting to scales that the company has been using to weigh the ore.

The St. Joseph Lead Company, whose employees are striking, recently purchased the property of the Federal Lead Company for a large sum of money, and is one of the largest lead companies in the lead belt, operating mines at Bonne Terre, Leadwood, Desloge, Elvins and Flat River. They recently increased the pay of the miners, but the trouble has arisen over the scales. The present strike is the first in the lead belt in a number of years. No trouble of any kind has yet arisen. Both men and officials hope for an early settlement.

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE AT POPLAR BLUFF DROPPED

Poplar Bluff, April 7.—The embezzlement case against Paul G. Woerth was dismissed today. The case was remanded for retrial recently by the Supreme Court, after Woerth had been convicted, in April, 1922, and given two years. The charge against Woerth, who was a prominent real estate man and head of the Union Farm Land Company, was that he embezzled \$10,000 from Frank Guinn. Guinn charged that he represented to him that he owned two big tracts of land in Butler and Stoddard counties, valued at \$30,000, and that he invested his \$10,000 as one-third interest in the company. After paying the money, Guinn alleges, he learned that the company

did not own such land. The Supreme Court held that the check was made to the Union Company and was indorsed in the name of Union company, and, therefore, there was no personal embezzlement committed by Woerth.

*Fire Damages Memorial Building

Farmington, Mo., April 8.—The Long Memorial building was damaged by fire this morning to the extent

of about \$15,000. The blaze was caused apparently by spontaneous combustion. The building was nearing completion at a cost of \$85,000. The funds for the building were provided in the will of Mrs. James Bisby (nee Long), who, with her brother, Dubart Long, lived in Hamilton, Ont. It was dedicated to the members of the Long family, who were natives of this city.

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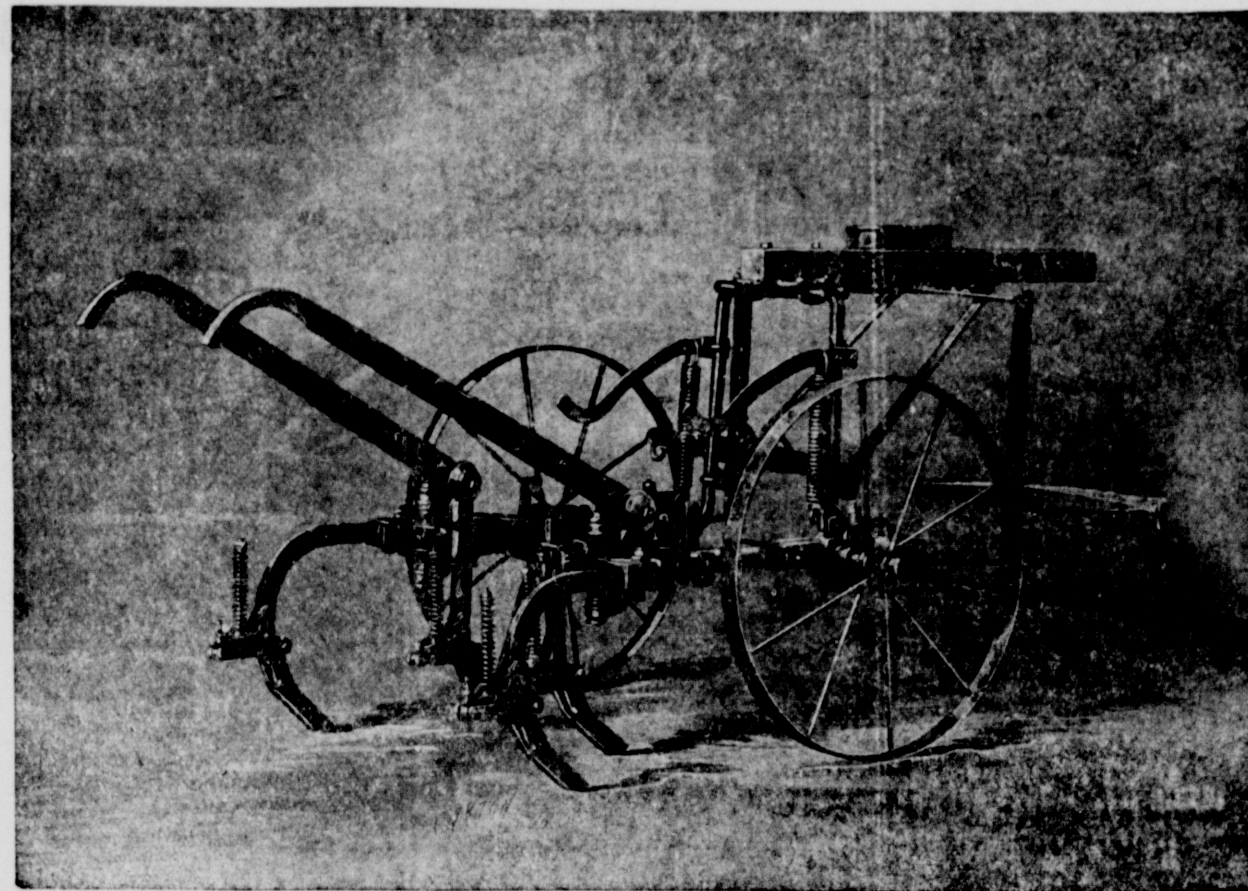
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PRIDE IN APPEARANCE

"Pride in Appearance" A Nation-wide Movement

There are few men who are not proud of their homes. A home is one of the things the world judges a man's social standing by, and as a consequence he wants it to be as good as he can make it. It is not merely a place to live, but one to which he is glad to invite his friends, where he may entertain them comfortably and be proud to do so.

Likewise there are few men who do not insist that their wives or daughters be well dressed—that their appearance be a credit to them.

Today there is sweeping throughout the country the "Pride in Appearance" Movement. It is a movement for better clothes for men, a movement for correct dress. It has been brought about by the attitude of men themselves, who are everywhere paying more attention to correct appearance, and who are insisting on finer things. Everywhere men are coming to know more about clothes, and are becoming more careful in their buying. They insist that a suit of clothes should do more than wear well. They insist also that it be correct, smart, well tailored and well cut. This movement is also evidenced by the attitude of manufacturers, who realize that they must offer better values and are doing so. It is not limited to one city or section of the country, but extends throughout the nation.

This movement means that men have realized the importance of clothes in everyday life, and are giving them the attention they deserve. Today no man cares to be incorrectly dressed, but on the contrary he takes pride in correct appearance. "Pride in Appearance" means that men have realized that clothes are a large factor in their impression upon other people, and that a man's appearance is a matter which will repay his most careful attention. He owes correct dress to himself for the added ease and self-confidence it gives him. He owes correct dress to his family because it gives them as much pride in his appearance as he takes in theirs. He owes it to his position, because clothes that are either conspicuous or ill-fitting are no help in business, but on the contrary are frequently a detriment.

In short, "Pride in Appearance" is sweeping the country because men everywhere have realized that no man can run the risk of seeming poorly dressed, but that his clothes, like his home, serve as a standard by which the world at large judges him and measures his standing.

BETTER STYLES, BIGGER ASSORTMENTS, GREATER VALUES

*These are our part
in the "Pride in Appearance" Movement*

Men in every city are realizing more than ever before the importance of good dress. That's the meaning of the "Pride in Appearance" Movement, which is sweeping the country.

Knowing our own city as we do, we realized months ago what the demand on us would be at the Easter Season. We prepared. We combed the markets of the country—we secured the cooperation of manufacturers, we made certain that we would have not only the largest assortments and the best styles we have ever known—but the greatest values as well.

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There is nothing better looking this season than the English Broadcloth shirt with or without collar attached. You may find these in our stocks in colors as well as in white and also a wonderful selection of silk strip madras still popular. We feature Emery Shirts because they fit and because they do not fade.

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The selection of a boy's suit is an easy matter this season. We are showing beautiful patterns of the new powder blue, Scotch Tweeds and pencil stripes, patterns and cloths really unusual in the knee trouser line of clothing. All with two pairs of trousers, tailored with the same care as our young men's clothing.

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SHOES

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Give her a box of Jacobs, Bunte, Blankes, Beichs, Ambrosia Candies. All kinds of Easter Candies for the kiddies.



SOME SCOTT COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Turning Under Rye As a Crop Green Manure For Corn

A green manure crop should not be allowed to rob the corn land of its moisture. If a crop like rye is to be plowed under before corn, it may be allowed to stand until rather late provided the spring is one of rather heavy rainfall. If the weather is dry the growth of the rye crop may very materially reduce the moisture content of the soil. This will make it much more difficult for the corn to obtain sufficient water for its growth. It may be the cause of the corn firing during even a short period of drought.

The rye crop removes 300 to 400 pounds of water from the soil for each pound of dry matter produced. Therefore, if there is a ton of dry matter on the land in the rye green manure crop it means that there has been approximately three surface inches of water removed from within the soil. This may easily be equivalent to more than the total rainfall for the month of June. The roots extend down into the soil three to four feet and some go even deeper than this. The soil is, therefore, deprived of its reserve store of water, not only near the surface but to a considerable depth. It is a good plan to watch the weather as well as the growth of rye, and if the soil shows signs of becoming too dry the rye should be turned under at once. If rye is pastured so as to reduce the top growth it takes much less water from the soil.

Other green crops such as sweet clover or even weed growth, have a similar drying effect and the same precaution should be taken to prevent too great drying out of the soil. Sweet clover decays more rapidly than rye and may cause somewhat less loss of moisture after it has been turned under.

A green manure crop should be thoroughly disked down and incorporated with the soil before plowing under. This mixing it with the entire surface layer permits more rapid decay within the soil and insures more uniform moisture conditions. It is the rapid decay of the legumes after being turned under that enables

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FARM BUREAU NEWS FROM NEW MADRID

B. F. King To Be In New Madrid County About Middle of April

B. F. King, the man who is to be in charge of the cotton experiment fields in Southeast Missouri, will be in New Madrid County about the middle of April, for the purpose of plotting and laying plans for the planting of the fields on Alfred Stepp and Bill Sikes farms. It is likely that Mr. King will also attempt to secure another field on the far side of the swamps. The representatives of the University attempted to place a field near Parma and Malden, but were unable to secure a ten acre plot of the soil type desired, which was uniform throughout. If time permits, Mr. King will likely locate such a field.

Solan T. Gee of Parma to Have Cotton Demonstration Field

The fourth cotton demonstration field for New Madrid County will be on the farm of Solan T. Gee, Parma. These demonstration fields are different from experiment fields in that they are of one year's duration and are established to show the advantages of good practices over those of bad. Mr. Gee has agreed to put on a demonstration and the field that he has set aside for this purpose is admirably located and well suited for such work.

The demonstration fields will be under the supervision of Ide P. Trotter and the County Agent.

Broom Corn a Successful Crop In New Madrid County

Southeast Missouri has long been advertised as a country where everything grows. This is being demonstrated more thoroughly each year. The newest crop that is being developed is the growing of broom corn. Last year over six cars were shipped out of Gideon and this year there is a decidedly increase in the acreage to be planted. The farmers near Gideon, according to M. I. Schmuck, not only produced good fields of broom corn but produced it at a very good profit. Mr. Schmuck thinks that this year the acreage will be more than doubled and with prices at \$300 or more per ton it is one of the most profitable crops that can be grown, since the larger varieties will produce six to seven hundred pounds per acre.

What About Hogs?

There is hardly a farmer within the county who is not asking that question. Most of them are discouraged and consequently have sold or are selling off everything that looks like a hog. It is true that one cannot feed \$1.25 corn to 4c hogs and expect to come out. However, the situation is bound to change sometime, and very likely in the near future the farmers will be after securing breeding stock to build up a herd again. When this time comes the demand for breeding stock will be so great that those who have such stock on hand will be able to ask their own price.

It would be so much better for the farmers if they would hold back a few head for breeding purposes against the time when the price of hogs go up. There are a few people who are looking ahead to that time. Mrs. A. B. Hunter of New Madrid, who has a large herd of extremely fine bred Poland Chinas, refuses to be discouraged of the present situation and is keeping her herd intact. There ought to be many more like Mrs. Hunter. It would mean a big saving to the farmers of New Madrid County who are disposing of their breeding stock if, when they get ready to again build up a herd that they could go to someone within their own county and buy good stock that they know has been carefully selected and well cared for.

Helping the Income

The old adage that "Necessity is the Mother of Invention" holds true in the business of farming as well as in other lines of pursuit. It has become necessary for the farmers in general to devise ways and means of adding to their income, other than a dependence on a corn crop or a cotton crop alone. There are many ways of helping out being practiced by farmers and there are many ways that are being devised and thought over by other farmers.

Lawrence Hahn, a farmer living near Portageville, has hit upon an idea that will probably result in a material increase to his income. Mr. Hahn plans to grow an acre or more of truck, can this truck when ready, and market the products already canned. One of Mr. Hahn's neighbors, Mrs. T. A. Penman has demonstrated thoroughly, to that community, the value of a home canner. Mr. Hahn has decided to enlarge upon this and can, not only for home use, but for the market. He then will avoid having his vegetables perish for lack of

a market or having to sell at a very low price in order to keep them from perishing on his hands.

Farmers Urged to Use Fertilizer As An Experiment

The County Agent of New Madrid County has urged the farmers to try fertilizer this year as an experiment. He does not believe that anyone who has not used fertilizer on cotton in previous years would be wise in using large quantities of it without first trying it out on a small scale. For this purpose the New Madrid County Farm Bureau bought a car of Acid Phosphate. Most of this has been distributed, although there is still a few tons on hand. Anyone in a position to use some of this can secure it at the office of the Farm Bureau.

LELANDS TO SUE FORD SAYS NEW YORK WORLD

New York, April 7.—The New York World this morning is printing an article which says: Henry Ford, Mrs. Ford and Edsel Ford are to be brought into court in a bitter legal and personal quarrel over millions if Henry M. and Wilfred C. Leland of Detroit carry out their plain intimations which they made in the sensational letter to Ford and which have been communicated to original stockholders of the Lincoln Motor Company.

Charges that Henry Ford broke faith in promises to repay persons who had invested money as part of his \$17,500,000 Lincoln deal; that tales of his remarkable generosity which were floated at the time of his presidential boom were false; that he inveigled supposed old friends into a deal and then by secret intrigue took advantage of them and forced them out—these are elements in what will prove a celebrated case if it comes to trial.

The fact that Ford has ignored the Leland ultimatum sent him March 19 gives reason to expect their threat of filing suit will be carried out quickly.

For months, largely through published articles and statements emanating from persons in close touch with Ford, a public impression has been given that the automobile magnate generously paid more for the Lincoln plant than it was worth; generously put Henry Leland, pioneer automobile builder, on his feet; generously paid \$4,000,000 to creditors who had no legal strings on him; generously had made good or planned to make good losses of stockholders.

This rose colored picture is mythical, the Lelands assert. They charge Ford has done nothing he was not legally obligated to do and that he has failed to fulfill specific conditions of the Lincoln sale.

County Agent Renner of Benton was a visitor here, Tuesday.

GERMANY NOT TO PAY FOR WAR-TIME SHIPS

Washington, April 7.—The Mixed Claims Commission decided today that Germany is not obligated to compensate for ships operated by the United States at the time of their destruction during the war for purposes directly in furtherance of military operations against Germany. Thirteen cases, submitted as a test, were decided by the commission.

The rules laid down apply to vessels destroyed during the period the United States was at war, there being no dispute that Germany is financially obligated for similar losses occurring while the United States was neutral.

It is believed the decision will enable speedy preparations and presentation of all other claims arising from the destruction of vessels where such hulls did not constitute "naval materials", as defined by the commission. Experts will report to the commission for its consideration their appraisal of the value of the hulls destroyed.

The commission held it was immaterial whether a ship was or was not owned by the United States; her possession, either actual or constructive, and her use by the United States, in direct furtherance of a military operation against its then enemies constituting the controlling test.

The facts in each case will be carefully examined and weighed, the decision said, and the commission will determine whether or not the particular ship at the time of her destruction was operated by the United States directly in furtherance of a military operation against Germany or her allies. If she was so operated she will fall within the excepted class.

Homer Lynn of Charleston spent a few hours here Wednesday, on business.

Mrs. Mike Clark and little son of St. Louis, are spending a few days in this city, with relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Welch and daughters, Miss Elizabeth and Catherine Frances, Mrs. J. N. Sheppard and Mrs. R. A. Moll and children spent Wednesday in Cape Girardeau.

J. W. Clemson, agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad at Oran, on March 6 rounded out his forty-fifth year of service with the railroad. In addition to his regular duties, Mr. Clemson has found time to establish a small "College of Railroad" all his own, according to an article in the April issue of The Missouri Pacific Magazine. His "school", which is held in the Missouri Pacific station at Oran and which can accommodate only one student at a time, now has thirty-three young men who have received their training under Mr. Clemson now hold responsible position over the Missouri Pacific and other railroad systems.

A Sad Anti-Climax For "Silver Threads Among the Gold"

It has been praised as "one of the best-loved romantic ballads of all times", that popular song called "Silver Threads Among the Gold", but its tender prophecy was never fulfilled, it seems, for the woman who inspired it. That woman, Mrs. Harriet Danks, was buried recently near New York City, and for her, reports the New York World, "the long trail of unhappiness that so strangely followed the writing of the love strain is over". The report runs on:

Mrs. Danks was eighty-two. She died Wednesday, in reduced circumstances, in a Brooklyn rooming-house. She was buried in New Union Field, after a simple service in the Lefferts Place Chapel.

In 1874, when Hart Pease Danks, a young musician and singer, and his wife were living happily together in this city, he composed to her one of the tenderest love songs of the ages. Everybody knows it:

Darling, I am growing old,
Silver threads among the gold
Shine upon my brow today,
Life is fading fast away.

But, my darling, you will be
Always young and fair to me.
Yes, my darling, you will be
Always young and fair to me.

Who has not sung or tried to sing or heard sung that immortal refrain? The words were written by Eben E. Rexford. Danks composed the melody. Perhaps the course of his life would have been different if

he never had composed it. The song sold, prosperity came, and with it domestic unhappiness. Danks and his wife parted.

In 1903 an old man was found dead in a rooming-house in Philadelphia. His landlady found him kneeling at the side of his bed, where death had overtaken him. He had a copy of "Silver Threads Among the Gold" in his hand, and on it was penciled: "It's hard to grow alone". That was how Danks died, and his widow died in circumstances nearly parallel.

Meanwhile, for years, while the song which had been written for love of her was being sung by lovers throughout the world, the widow of Danks grew to feel the pinch of want and the loneliness of old age.

The prophecy of her lover of the old days remain unfulfilled.

Arthur Brisbane's highly practical moral, as drawn in his daily syndicated column, runs:

It's better to put a good house and lot in your wife's name, or build up for her a respectable bank account, than you can't touch, than to sing to her "Yes, my darling you will be always young and fair to me."—Literary Digest.

If you are thinking of building a house, a barn, or having repairs made see J. C. Davis, phone 319.

Camp Funston, the training ground for thousands of Middle West soldiers during the World War, is to become an oats field. Army tractors are pulling up concrete posts and breaking up asphalt streets. Seventy acres will be sown.

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the

Sikeston Co-Operative Livestock Shipping Association, Saturday, April 12th.

At 7:30 p. m., in the

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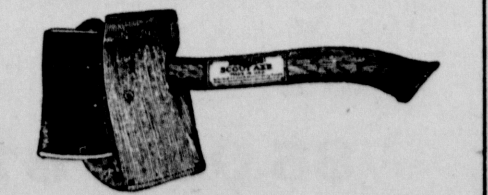
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Ours is a store for young folks as well as grown-ups. It is not so long ago that we were boys ourselves. We know what boys' interests are and what they like.

We want to know more of our boys and we want more boys to know the many things we have in our store to interest them.

Come in this week, boys, and let's get acquainted.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom
Scott as a candidate for the nomina-
tion of Sheriff of Scott County, sub-
ject to the will of the voters at the
August primary.

We are authorized to announce F.
K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of
Scott County, subject to the will of
the Democratic voters at the August
primary.

We are authorized to announce
Farm A. Stone of Skeston for Sher-
iff of Scott County, subject to the will
of the Democratic voters at the Aug-
ust primary.

We are authorized to announce L.
P. Guber of Vanduser for Sheriff of
Scott County, subject to the will of
the Democratic voters at the August
primary.

We are authorized to announce
Fred M. Farria, of Benton, as can-
didate for Sheriff, of Scott County,
subject to the will of the voters at
the August primary.

We are authorized to announce
Bob Cannon, of Benton, as candidate
for Sheriff of Scott County, subject
to the will of the voters at the pri-
mary in August.

COUNTY ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce
Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for
Assessor of Scott County, subject to
the will of the Democratic voters at
the August primary.

We are authorized to announce
Geo. C. Bean, of Illmo, for assessor
of Scott County, subject to the will
of the Democratic voters at the Aug-
ust primary.

We are authorized to announce
Angles W. Bowman of Morley, for
County Assessor, subject to the will
of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce C.
C. Myers of Oran as Democratic can-
didate for the office of Assessor, sub-
ject to the will of the voters at the
August primary.

We are authorized to announce
James W. Robertson, of Skeston, as
a candidate for Assessor of Scott
County, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the August primary.

NEW MADRID COUNTY

We are authorized to announce G.
F. Deane, of Matthews, as a can-
didate for Sheriff of New Madrid Coun-
ty, subject to the will of the Demo-
cratic voters at the August primary.

SPRAYING FOR FRUIT ROTS
INDICATES GOOD RESULTS

Spraying strawberries for the con-
trol of leaf-spot diseases has fre-
quently been recommended, and a
few growers in widely separated lo-
calities have sprayed regularly for
fruit rots and have reported an ap-
parent reduction in losses. The first
systematic experiments, however,
for the control of fruit rots by spray-
ing were made by the United States
Department of Agriculture last year,
and although the results of this one
season's work must be regarded as
inconclusive, some favorable results
seem to be indicated.

Various sprays were used, and no
one seemed to show a marked supe-
riority over another, indicating that
no really satisfactory spray schedule
has yet been worked out. The in-
vestigators feel, however, that the
results justify the conclusion that
spraying with Bordeaux mixture,
and in some cases dusting, reduced
the losses from rot which developed
after the fruit was picked sufficient-
ly to more than justify the expense
of the treatment.

Strawberries are grown in this

Used Kimball phonograph retails
new at \$200.00. This one goes for
\$125.00. A bargain.—Lairs.

Mrs. Lyle Malone, Mrs. Grace Ma-
lone, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. Earl
Malone and son, Paul, spent the day
at Cape Girardeau shopping, Wed-
nesday.

Soy beans as a soil-building crop
which would also furnish an econ-
omical protein feed supplement have
been given a thorough trial by Black-
ford County, Ind., farmers, on the
advice of their agricultural extension
agent. The rapid increase in the
acreage planted to the crop in the
county indicates that they found it a
valuable addition to their cropping
system. Five years ago, according
to reports to the United States De-
partment of Agriculture, only a few
farmers in the county grew soy
beans, but in 1923 approximately 3,
850 acres were grown with corn and
500 acres were grown alone for seed
and hay.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND
IN RIVER IDENTIFIED

The body of a young woman found
in the Mississippi River six miles
south of Bird's Point on Saturday,
was identified today at Charleston as
that of Miss Mary Kasel, 34 years
old, who had been missing from her
home at Washington, Mo., for more
than five months. Identity of the
body, which was taken up from the
grave in a small cemetery in which
the remains had been laid, was es-
tablished by the clothing and the
dental work, described by the mother
and sister of the woman, who went to
Charleston when they read newspa-
per reports of the finding of the body.

Despondency over a love affair, led
the young woman to take her own
life, is the belief of relatives, who
told Dr. F. S. Vernon, the county
coroner at Charleston, that she had
been despondent for several days
prior to her mysterious disappear-
ance.

The young woman, with her moth-
er and sister, Miss Ella Kasel, op-
erated a millinery store at Washington,
the coroner was told, and all three
worked there. Late in the afternoon
of November 2, last, the young wo-
man, together with her sister, was
preparing to go to their home, when
she walked out of the front door and
vanished.

A searching party was hastily or-
ganized, but no trace of the young
woman could be found. The suppo-
sition there was that she had gone
down to the Missouri river two
blocks distant, and had leaped into
the water from the ferryboat land-
ing. The river was watched for sev-
eral miles, but no trace of a body
could be found.

When we left she was attired in
plain street clothes, a dark skirt
and a light waist, relatives said, but
when she was found by Frank Rip-
perdam, a farmer near Bird's Point
last Saturday, the body had only
a thin under-garment, silk stockings
and a pair of satin slippers with
pearl buttons. The body was also
scarred with wounds, which the cor-
oner believed was caused by the ice
and driftwood in the river. There
were no evidence of violence, the cor-
oner declared.

The body floated for more than
300 miles before it was taken from
the river, and it is believed that it
was concealed under the ice for the
greater part of the time. Although
badly decomposed, authorities said
that the resemblance between the
facial features of the young woman
and her relatives, established with-
out doubt its identity. Also, it was
explained, a chart of the dental work
was made by a dentist at Washing-
ton and this tallied to every detail
with the results of an examination
made by the coroner.

The body was discovered by the
farmer near Bird's Point floating in
a mass of driftwood near the center
of the Mississippi river. He dragged
it to the shore and after an examina-
tion by Coroner Vernon, it was bur-
ied in a cemetery, from where it was
taken on the arrival of relatives
Wednesday afternoon.

The slippers taken from the body
were first shown to Miss Ella Kasel,
a sister of the young woman.

"Those belonged to her," the sis-
ter sobbed, and when authorities also
produced the flimsy wearing apparel,
the sister was convinced that the
body of her sister had been found.
She said that her sister had been go-
ing with a young man at Washing-
ton, but he had left and since his de-
parture she had been despondent.

A \$100 reward for the recovery of
the body offered by the family, will
probably be claimed by Ripperdam.

Washington is located on the Mis-
souri river in Franklin county, near-
ly 100 miles west of St. Louis.—
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Black War Bonnet Gets
Farm His Father Owned

Title to a tract of land, composed of
100 acres, homesteaded by his father,
Black War Bonnet, in 1878, has been
given to Joseph War Bonnet, a Sioux
Indian of the Ogalalla band, through
a decision of the Department of the
Interior. Originally, it was unsurveyed
land, and Black War Bonnet
settled on the 100 acres, making im-
provements costing over \$200, and also
occupied the tract continuously for
three years, thus entitling him to own-
ership. In 1879 he received a certifi-
cate giving him complete possession of
the piece of land, upon which he con-
tinued to reside with his family until
dispossessed in 1882. In the same
year he died, leaving his wife and two
children. The wife and the other
child have since died, leaving Joseph
War Bonnet the only surviving heir.

For many years Joseph War Bon-
net has been making efforts to obtain
possession of the 100 acres of land
homesteaded by his father, but be-
cause it was withdrawn from the pub-
lic domain by an executive order and
for other reasons his petitions have
been denied by officials of the general
land office.

Joseph War Bonnet in 1921 made an
appeal from all these adverse decisions
to the secretary of the interior, and
final action was postponed pending
the examination of witnesses and the
securing of accurate description of the
land. Several hearings have been held
in the case during the past two years,
with the result that a final decision
was issued, giving the heir full own-
ership and possession of the land home-
steaded by his father many years ago.

The case is referred to as one where
"long-delayed justice to a red man"
has been effected.—Department of the
Interior Bulletin.

Pin in Candle Meant
Right to Have Hearing

There was an old French peasant
custom which held the wisdom of Solo-
mon. This law was called "The Pin in
the Candle," interpreted by the
English as "The Right to Be Heard."

In the old days if a man and his
wife disagreed, the official to whom an
appeal was made put two pins in a
lighted tallow candle, equal spaces
apart. The husband was allowed to
talk until the flame burned down to
his pin, and then he had to listen
while his wife talked, until the flame
reached her pin.

This law passed into oblivion long
since, but its influence became a part
of the family life of France. It is a
tradition—particularly among the peas-
ants—when a family dispute arises and
one member prolongs a scolding or com-
plaint for the rest of the family to
say: "It is now mother's pin in the
candle," or "It is now father's pin in
the candle."

So simple a legend as this has
brought peace to a multitude of people.
How many of us might apply to our
daily living and hear both sides of
the story!—Delineator.

Says Many Are Buried Alive

On the theory that electrocution
does not permanently kill all victims,
Professor Jellinek, head of the Vienna
Electro Pathological Institute, has re-
cently startled the medical and electri-
cal world by announcing that, in his
opinion, many victims of electrocutions
have been buried alive. He maintains
that electric shock only drives the vic-
tim into a trance and that hope of
saving them should not be abandoned
until physical decay starts. He be-
lieves that hundreds have been buried
alive, whereas if they had been
worked over for a day or more they
would have been revived.

Human Hair Cloth

Tons of human hair are being used
now in making a strong cloth. A
Southern factory is supplying the de-
mand of cottonseed oil mills for a
fabric that will resist for a time at
least a pressure of 4,000 to 4,500
pounds a square inch. Only that made
from hair is strong enough. When the
price of camel's hair became prohibi-
tively experiments were begun with
human hair, with the result that special
hair-weaving machines were devised
and a source of supply of human hair
was located in China.

Going America One Better

China's newest department store in
Hankow is to have a theater, a con-
cert hall and other entertainments
alongside the bargain counters for the
amusement of its shoppers. The Wing
On company, conductor of department
stores in Shanghai and Hongkong, has
acquired about two acres of land on
the main street of Hankow for the
erection of the several buildings.

Salesmanship

Hesitant Flapper—Aren't these hose
a bit flashy?
Salesman—Yes, miss; indeed they
are, and the papers forecast strong
winds for the next few days.
Hesitant Flapper—I'll take them.—
Boll Weevil.

Seeing Society

"This bootlegging must be a good
business. You're probably making a
fortune."
"Aw, it ain't de coin what counts
so much wit' me, lady. It's de people
you meet."—Life.

New Meteorological Device

Simpler than the usual meteorolog-
ical instrument is a combined ther-
mometer and clock which records the
temperature and tells the time on a
card for a week without attention.

Proper Brewing of Tea
Told by Chinese Poet

High tea would have been deemed
an abomination by the Chinese poet Lu
Wuh, who held that no food should be
taken in conjunction with the most de-
licious of all beverages. Lu Wuh
maintained that only three ingredients
are necessary for its decoction—tea,
water and salt—but each should be
selected with care.

"The leaves of the tea plant must
have creases like the leathern boot of a
Tartar horseman, must curl like the
dewlap of a mighty bullock; must un-
fold like the mist rising out of a ra-
vine, must gleam like a lake touched
by a zephyr; and be wet and soft like
fine earth newly swept by rain." Ac-
cording to this authority a mountain
spring furnished the best water for
tea making, with river water and or-
dinary spring water next in order of
excellence.

"There are three stages of boiling,"
Lu Wuh goes on to say. "The first
boil is when the little bubbles like the
eye of fishes swim on the surface.
The second boil is when the bubbles
are like crystal beads rolling in a foun-
tain. The third boil is when the bil-
lows surge wildly in the kettle."

Salt is put in the first boil, tea in
the second boil; at the third a dipper-
ful of cold water is poured into the
kettle to settle the tea and revive "the
youth of the water," after which the
decoction is poured into cups and
drunk.—Manchester Guardian.

Paine Helped Create
and Named the U. S. A.

To the average American Thomas
Paine is known merely as an "infidel."
He has been told that Paine wrote a
book entitled "Age of Reason" that as-
sailed orthodox Christianity. He may
not know that two decades before the
"Age of Reason" Paine, a native of
England, wrote a pamphlet that started
the American colonists really to think
of separating themselves from Eng-
land and joining themselves together
as a new nation, says the Detroit
News. When the revolution first start-
ed it was only a revolt against oppres-
sive measures of taxation and unjust
political discrimination. Even Wash-
ington as late as May, 1775, declared
himself against separation.

Then, early in January, 1776, Paine
published "Common Sense," in which
he not merely proposed an independent
nation to the dissatisfied colonists, but
raised the rebellion to the higher
plane of a war for liberty. Washington
was converted immediately. Paine de-
clined to accept any profit from the
work for himself, but gave all the
financial proceeds to the patriot cause.
It was in "Common Sense" that the
present name of the nation, "the
United States of America," first ap-
peared.

Did Moliere Wear Iron Mask?

M. Loquin, a former president of the
Academie de Bordeaux, holds that the
man in the iron mask was none other
than Moliere, whose disappearance the
Jesuits were supposed to have urged
the king to compass after the great
triumph of "Tartuffe."

"Moliere," says this learned man,
"died February 17, 1673; the captivity
of the man in the iron mask lasted 31
years, from February, 1673, to Novem-
ber, 1703."

The significant silence that prevailed
once Moliere was regarded as dead and
buried, the foul slanders that were
spread abroad shortly afterward and,
finally, the destruction of all Moliere's
posthumous works and the strange
disappearance of every single line of
his writing point to a sinister object.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Novels in a Nutshell

Much has been written in criticism
of English, French and Russian novels,
but never have their essential natures
been so crisply described as in these
paragraphs of anonymous origin:

An English novel is a book in which
two people want each other in the first
chapter, but do not get each other un-
til the last chapter.

A French novel is a book in which
two people get each other right in the
first chapter and from then on to the
last chapter don't want each other any
more.

A Russian novel is one in which two
people neither want each other nor get
each other, and round that fact 450
profoundly melancholy pages are writ-
ten.—Youth's Companion.

Experienced

A victim of chronic bronchitis called
on a doctor to be examined. The doc-
tor, after careful questioning, assured
the patient that the ailment would re-
spond readily to treatment. "I suppose
you must have had a great deal of ex-
perience with this disease?" said the
sufferer.

The doctor smiled wisely, and re-
plied: "Why, my dear sir, I've had
bronchitis myself for over fifteen
years."—Christian Evangelist.

Hobo Loyal to His Dog

A homeless hobo who was appre-
hended the other day refused an offer
of \$500 for his mongrel dog which ac-
companied him. The police sergeant
said that the dog's loyalty was already
proved, but he wanted to prove the
hobo's. But the hobo knew that he
could easily lose the \$500, but the dog
was worth more than that to him.

Their Own Fault

Keen, but Nervous Amateur—I say,
old chap, what shall I do if they ask
me to sing?
Candid Friend—Do? Why, sing, of
course. It'll be their own fault!—
London Humorist.

Bach Showed the Way
to Pure Modern Music

The fountain source of all was, of
course, Bach. When Bach had shown
the way, there was a surge and uprush
of pure music in central Europe to
which nothing in the history of other
arts can be compared, unless it be the
building of the French cathedrals. It
was as if a vast gold mine had been
discovered, opening out to those
happy mortals who had first right of
entry long galleries of metal, precious
and pure; nor did they waste their
matchless opportunity, but tirelessly
worked on, minting in streams a beau-
tiful clear coinage which was good in
all the markets of the world. Of
almost all the great composers of the
Nineteenth century fertility is the
conspicuous trait; they were limited
only by the capacity of their hands
to write down what their invention dic-
tated. And what they dictated was,
broadly speaking, all good. Haydn's
symphonies, Schubert's songs, remain.
Countless, they still have meaning
for us—more meaning than most of
the music of the day. The world had
not changed, but the human mind had
suddenly found means to appreciate
it newly, and the whole story of crea-
tion, all the sumptuous diversities of
human life, all the accumulated ex-
perience of the ages, was virgin soil,
a child's garden, of richness and
freshness inexhaustible.—Basil De Sel-
incourt, in "The English Secret."

Myth of the Amazons
Older Than Greek Fable

The Amazons are best known from
Grecian mythology. The origin of the
myth, however, is said to antedate
even the heroic age of Grecian fable
and to come from Asia Minor.

Far back in antiquity these female
warriors are said to have come from
the shores of the Caspian sea and, con-
quering Asia Minor, to have built the
cities of Ephesus, Smyrna, Myrina and
Kyme, says the Detroit News. The
worship of their Titanic queen, a sort
of "queen bee," was carried on with
barbaric ceremonies, even to the time
of authentic Greek history.

Always known as "Ma," this arch
priestess was said to be served by
6,000 minor priestesses and by eunuchs
without number.

When the Spaniards and Portuguese
discovered and settled the east coast
of South America they encountered on
every hand, from the Gulf of Mexico to
Paraguay, an Indian legend of a re-
doubtable tribe of female warriors who
had their home somewhere along the
banks of that river, the Amazon, which
now bears their name—no doubt given
them by the European settlers, who
were familiar with the Amazons of an-
cient fable.

Wasted Words

Johnston missed his train the other
evening, so he went to have his hair
cut. When he entered the barber's
shop he was in a quarrelsome frame of
mind.

"Cut it without conversation," he
growled, as he took his place in the
chair. "Don't want any hair restorer,
scalp invigorator, dandruff eradicator,
face lotion, potion or anything else.
I've read all about the Near-East trou-
bles, and don't interest myself in box-
ing, racing or football. As regards the
weather—"

Here a customer nudged Johnson's
elbow.

"You'll have to write it down on his
slate, mister," he said, "if you want
to tell him anything. He's deaf and
dumb."—Tonsorial Journal.

Every municipal office in Columbus
Junction, Ia., is held by a woman.

ABSOLUTELY FREE
THE GRAND PRIZE EUREKA VACUUM CLEANER

The manufacturers make this free educational offer to
prove to every woman how much housecleaning drudgery
the new Eureka does away with. The new Eureka we loan
you is absolutely unequalled in cleaning efficiency and dur-
ability.

PHONE 28 FOR FREE TRIAL

an the new cleaner will be delivered to your door without a
penny's expense. Treat it as if you would it. Us it all over
the house. Let it save your strength during houseclean-
ing.

THIS FREE OFFER EXPIRES MAY 17

Only a limited number of cleaners are to be loaned. Don't
pay a man to beat your rugs. Use the Eureka instead.
If you want to own the Eureka after this free trial you
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ance in easy installments. Remember, the trial is abso-
lutely free but you must act at once to get it.



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(Set Your Name and Address Here)
Send me details of your free trial
offer

Name

Address

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LOCAL MERCHANT PARTICIPATES IN NATION-WIDE MOVEMENT

"PRIDE IN APPEARANCE" BROUGHT HERE BY BUCKNER-RAGS-DALE STORE COMPANY

Spring has brought forth a remarkable development in the field of men's wear—the "Pride in Appearance" Movement. This Movement towards better clothes for men has been gathering force for many months, and is now finding expression in all sections of the country. The features emphasized in men's wear for Spring call special attention to correctness and smartness—to "Pride in Appearance".

Mr. Kimes, of the Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co. who are participating in this nation-wide movement and who for the next ten days are featuring a special "Pride in Appearance" Event at their store, said in an interview concerning the significance and cause of this movement:

"American women are known the world over for their dress. Nowhere else have women been so quick to realize the importance of clothes, and, as a consequence, nowhere else have so many women been well-dressed.

"With the American man, the case has been different. Franklin, in Revolutionary days, appeared before the courts of Europe clad in homespun. And until recent times the American man generally has not usually given much attention to appearance. The same man who is proud of the appearance of his wife and daughter, who insists that they be well-dressed, has often himself been negligent. If his wife or daughter should make a public appearance badly dressed, he would regard it as casting discredit upon himself, but he has seldom given much thought to his own clothes, or considered that clothes might be taken as an index to his social standing.

"This condition was perhaps natural in a new country. Life was hard and as a result men had little time to give to appearance. In the South men took pains to look their parts and to dress in accordance with their social standards, but this was a notable exception to the rest of the nation.

A Remarkable Change

"During recent years, however, there has been a decided change. As the nation has ceased to be a pioneering country, men have had more leisure and have realized the importance of proper dress. Not that clothes make the man, but they do give the first impression of a man. A

well-dressed man gives an impression of carefulness, of prosperity, and above all of a well-ordered existence. He has an air about him of being dependable, while a person badly clothed is justly suspected of being careless in other things also. To be sure, no man is admired for giving over-anxious attention to his clothes, but few men today would argue that an ill-fitting suit was a help in business. For clothes are perhaps the most important single item in giving a good first impression.

"Pride in Appearance"

"This change may be summed up in a phrase: 'Pride in Appearance'. Men regard clothes today as something more than a necessity. They regard them as a source of constant pleasure and satisfaction, and as a standard by which the world at large measures their social standing. Men have come to realize that they owe it to themselves, their families and their positions to dress well.

"This movement for better dress, the 'Pride in Appearance' movement, is sweeping the country. It is evidenced by the attitude of men in buying clothes. In the past little attention was given to anything but whether a suit of clothes would wear. Today this is not enough. A man demands also that it be well-tailored, that it be well-cut. And he has discovered that correct, careful dress is not a matter of spending more money, but of choosing clothes more carefully, and as a result he chooses his clothes with more care. In a word, he has come to know more about clothes and has become more discriminating.

"The 'Pride in Appearance' movement is also evidenced by the attitude taken by clothing manufacturers. Manufacturers who are quick to respond to public opinion, realize the importance of the movement and are paying more attention to the character of their product. As a result, better values are to be found in men's clothes today than have ever before been offered—values which make it possible for every man to be better dressed—to take 'Pride in Appearance'.

"We think this movement so significant and so far-reaching in its effect," added Mr. Kimes, "that beginning today and until Easter Sunday, we are devoting both our store and our advertising entirely to a special 'Pride in Appearance' Event."

Pools Closed to New Members

The Arkansas and Missouri Cotton Growers' Association closes the pools to any new members for this year. Any new members that ship cotton after April 1, such cotton will go into separate pools and be treated as other cotton. This announcement comes from the office of the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association at Little Rock.

Cotton Seed

Pedigreed Wannamaker-Cleveland
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High germination. Write for prices.

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Leonards bulk garden seed, Tom Watson and Irish Grey mellow seed,

Rocky Ford and Pollock 10-25 cantaloup, timothy seed, Red Top seed,

Alsike clover, Orchard grass, Blue grass, soy beans, etc. Sudan

grass and cane seed, Delfos and Acala cotton seed, Dixie growing

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If You Need Seed Of Any Description, See Us.

SIKESTON SEED CO.
SIKESTON, MO.

COTTON GROWERS TO REWARD BOY FARMERS

Little Rock, Ark., April 8.—Directors of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association, at their meeting here today, decided, as individuals, to contribute \$100 to a fund for a prize for the best exhibit of cotton by students of the Smith-Hughes Vocational Training Schools in Arkansas. The directors will contribute the money from their own pockets. A statewide contest will be staged among the students this summer and prizes totaling \$200 will be awarded to the student making the greatest profit from five acres of cotton. The prize winners will exhibit samples of their cotton at the state fair here next fall.

The directors spent considerable time discussing the advisability of encouraging and assisting the formation of a statewide agricultural credit corporation to be organized under the federal law. The object of the corporation would be to make it easier for small farmers to obtain credit to carry on their farming operations. The money would be borrowed from the federal intermediate credit banks. The agricultural credit corporation would have authority to issue bonds. Money would be loaned on personal indentments, on growing cotton, on warehouse receipts and other personal collateral.

Discussion among the directors showed that some parts of the state need such additional credit facilities, while in other sections the bank facilities are sufficient. It was said that a statewide agricultural corporation has been organized in North Carolina and that it has proven very successful. In that state the corporation works through local banks. The matter will be discussed further by the Arkansas directors at their next meeting.

The directors approved the removal to Memphis and consolidation of both the sales and executive offices of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange. At present the sales office of the exchange is located at Atlanta, Ga., and the executive office at Dallas, Texas. The change will take place July 1. Changes to be made in the methods of management of the exchange were explained by President Charles G. Henry, who is a member of the board of trustees of the exchange. The exchange is the federation of the 12 state co-operative cotton marketing associations.

The directors instructed officers of the association to begin preparations for the annual election of directors of the association by the members. The election will take place in June, but the exact date has not been decided yet.

Jesse M. Miles of New Madrid, Mo., secretary of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association, and John Montgomery of Dexter, Mo., members of the board of directors of the Missouri association, attended the meeting.

Field workers of the association will hold a conference at the office tomorrow with G. H. Banks, director of field service; J. D. Elridge, general manager, and Carl E. Bailey, assistant secretary. President Henry left tonight for Jackson, Miss., where tomorrow he will attend a meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange.

The High School has a fine display of art in the window at Dudley's Place.

Mrs. V. M. Law returned to her home in Malden, Thursday, after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fox.

Atlas Peck attended court at Tickville one day this week, and he says some of the present-day offenders are so prominent-looking a person can hardly tell which is the client and which is the attorney.

Notice of Special School Election

School District of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri.

The qualified voters of the School District of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, are hereby notified that a special election will be held on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1924, at the City Hall, in the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said school district a proposition to increase the indebtedness of said school district in the sum of \$15,000.00, and authorize the Board of Education to borrow this sum of money and issued bonds for the payment thereof, to provide funds for erecting and furnishing an addition to the High School Building in said school district.

The polls will be open at the place heretofore designated for the reception of votes at six o'clock in the forenoon and remain open until seven o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

Done by order and resolution of the Board of Education of School District of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, on the 2nd day of April, 1924.

R. E. BAILEY,
Secretary Board of Education.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Will Crumpecker, Mr. Malden and others are planning to plant corn and cotton this month if the good weather continues.

Dr. I. H. Dunaway has purchased a new Overland from the Superior Garage.

The new tile and brick garage of Mayor Cox is nearing completion. It will be a very attractive building. Ducky Wafford designed the building.

Spring plowing has progressed well in this community. A good part of the corn and cotton lands are ready to plant.

Mr. Pearce of Canolou attended a Board of Directors meeting of the Peoples Bank of Morehouse, Tuesday night.

The Sunday School Class of Mrs. Bryce Edwards had a food sale Wednesday afternoon netting \$7.25. They entertained the boys class under William Lowe, with a kids party, Thursday night. About fifty attended.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church rendered their play, "An Old-Fashioned Mother", at New Madrid, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Thelma Mocabe and her Sunday School class entertained Mrs. J. W. Sarff and her class of boys at the M. E. Church, last Monday night.

R. R. Givens and Miss Maymie Boaz were quietly married early this week.

R. I. Bernert is confined to his home with sickness. A. C. Whitener, Missouri-Pacific Agent, is taking care of both depots.

The Triangle Club gave a dance Wednesday. The Edna Deal Synchronized Orchestra of Clarksdale, Mississippi furnished the music for the evening.

A hen belonging to Will Crumpecker laid a very large egg this week. Examination revealed a perfect egg, shell and normal in size within the outer egg, which likewise was complete. The combination made the largest egg ever seen in this community.

Dog Hill Paragraphs

(Commercial Appeal)

The Tickville train had to run right slow over the trestle in the Calf Ribs neighborhood Tuesday, afternoon, as Sap Spradlen, who was fishing underneath it, was on the verge of getting a bite.

From all reports Sile Kildew is about to attempt matrimony again. Of course, he has not admitted it, but he has got so he shaves every week and keeps his derby hat dusted off and his hair combed, and otherwise looks like he is going somewhere, which is a fine indication.

Cricket Hicks observed April Fool day by kicking an empty sack with a brick in it.

Frisby Hancock says humans are curious. He cannot see why Jefferson Potlocks is all the time complaining about the children leaving the front gate open, when there is not but one panel of his yard fence left.

Raz Barlow was noticed standing in an admiring attitude in front of the show window at the Elite millinery parlor at Tickville Monday afternoon, looking at the beautiful wax lady in the window. He says she sure does look like she is of a nice family.

The Deputy Constable is greatly excited over a postal card he has received announcing a reward of \$10,000 for the capture of a law violator, and he has dropped all his other cases to devote his full time to wishing he could capture the man.

Quite a sensation was occasioned in Tickville Saturday afternoon, when some unknown autoist ran over the Town Marshal's foot, which at the time was protruding into the street.

Sim Flinders went home today between meals and found his wife gone just as she had been threatening to do for some time, and he got scared about it until he saw her snuff box still standing in its old familiar place on the mantelpiece.

Sidney Hocks says it is a puzzle to him how a person can sit down on a box or a stump or the fence, or just anywhere, and think of something a thousand miles away.

Frisby Hancock says about all the mail he gets is from somebody trying to sell him something or else someone wanting to collect for what he has bought.

The chicken peddler of the Calf Rib neighborhood, was in our midst circulating around on Wednesday of this week. According to his scales the chicken crop is very light this season.

Jefferson Potlocks says you have no idea how people notice little things which are supposed not to be any of their business. Someone smelled ham frying at his home the other night and they couldn't rest until they asked him where he got it.

Very Interesting News For Women

OUR PRE-EASTER SALE OF COATS



Just at the time when you need a new spring coat comes this opportunity of buying your coat at greatly reduced prices.

Here you will find Sport Coats and Dress Coats. All included in this sale.

Special Groups at
\$10 \$15 \$19.75 \$24.75

NEW SILK GLOVES
\$2.00 \$2.50 \$3.00

NEW BLOUSES
Just received the new tailored Blouses in White Broadcloth and Tub Silk.

Several styles.
\$3.75 and \$5.95

New Dresses
For Easter

Dresses in all the wanted colors and materials.

Special Groups at
\$5.00 \$10.00 \$15.00 \$24.75

LEHMAN-FOSTER CLO. CO.
Clothing for Men and Women. Sikeston, Mo.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz went to New Madrid Monday on business.

Mrs. Wes Depro is very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks motored to Sikeston Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gossitt, and children motored to Sikeston Sunday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Forest and Mrs. James Lancaster shopped in Sikeston, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart and son and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley and sons spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chiles.

Mrs. George Reed and daughter, Mrs. Bess Fulkerson, were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Taylor and children visited relatives in Catron last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Johnson and children of La Forge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wes Depro.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane motored to New Madrid Sunday.

Nood Mainord of Sikeston was in Matthews Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart and son, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sibley and

son and Mr. and Mrs. Latimer were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Monday.

Tollie Warren of Charleston was the guest of Miss Lillie Daughtery, Sunday.

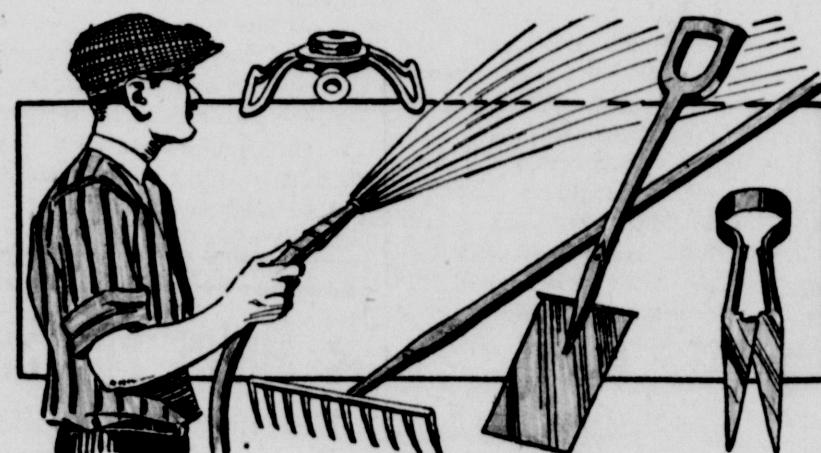
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lancaster and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Lancaster.

Master Granville Mainord spent the week-end in Sikeston with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord.

J. A. Weatherford transacted business in Sikeston, Monday.

Some girls paint and powder so much they have to look in the mirror to see whether it is them.

Washington Hocks says if everybody was honest watermelon patches would not have to be planted in sight of the house.



Tender Roasts

Greet You Here

Our rigid meat inspectors spare no efforts to give you the best. Then, too, we make the price right.

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Purity Meat Market

Lawn Necessities

The care of your Lawn becomes a pleasure when you have the proper Tools with which to work.

The cost of the things you need is not a great deal if you come here to buy.

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